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Used in the Murder of Stillwell Shown to the Jury.

DR. GLEASON'S TESTIMONY.

After Life Was Extinct the Body Was Moved by the Person Who Struck the Blow.

From a Post-Dispatch Staff Correspondent.

BOWLING GREEN, Mo., Dec. 12.—The State has outlined its case to the jury, most of the important witnesses are here, and the trial of Dr. J. C. Hearne for the murder of Amos J. Stillwell has fairly begun.

Yesterday was a dull day in the trial. The lawyers bickered and objected and read authorities until those who were looking for sensations grew blue in the face.

The first real hard tilt came during the early part of Prosecuting Attorney Heather's preliminary statement to the jury. He endeavored to outline the testimony which

H. CLAY HEATHER
(Prosecuting Attorney of Marion County.)

Mrs. Hearne had given relative to what she did after her husband had been murdered. The defense objected and after a tedious citation of authorities by the State in behalf of their position, the court sustained the objection.

The next squabble came in Heather's endeavor to bring in the incident in California about the divorce secured by Mrs. Hearne from the doctor and the subsequent remarriage within six weeks.

Objection was made to this. Counsel for the state argued that the remarriage showed guilt in that it was evidence of fear that the one might testify against the other in a trial for murder, if they were divorced. The court wanted to hear authorities on this point and ruled it out of the statement, consenting to consider it in the introduction of evidence.

Heather's speech was a strong one, especially as to motive. Its weakness lay in the fact that the links connecting Dr.

E. W. MAJORS
(Of Counsel for Defense.)

Hearne with the crime itself were not strong enough. The evidence of Dr. Vernette, who claims to have met Hearne on Fifth street shortly after 12 o'clock, was dwelt upon at length. The defense declares, however, that they will break this witness down entirely.

It is worth while to set out here the features of the Prosecuting Attorney's statement to the jury:

After reviewing the character and standing of Amos J. Stillwell, and giving the time and circumstances of the murder, Heather said that he would be able to show that a long time prior to the murder Dr. Hearne met Mrs. Stillwell, who at that time was one of the society leaders of Hannibal. The attorney then said:

"The acquaintance seemed mutually agreeable. After a time the humdrum of being the wife of an old man did not suit Fannie C. Stillwell. She began to yearn for a different life than that which Amos J. Stillwell afforded her, and on one occasion expressed herself as sorry that she had married an old man; that she wished she had a young husband, as some of the women with whom she associated. In the course of time Dr. Hearne's attentions became marked, as will be detailed to you from the witness stand in this case.

"In the summer of 1888, on the occasion of a party at the Stillwell house, Dr. Hearne came in rather late, vexed, and went up stairs. Fannie C. Stillwell followed. They remained up stairs the remainder of the evening, leaving the company and causing remarks. Dr. Hearne was a constant visitor at Stillwell's home. The State will show by one of Mrs. Stillwell's neighbors that Fannie Stillwell was in Dr. Hearne's reception room one day for two hours. When asked where she had been she remarked that she had been to see a neighbor. 'No, Fannie,' said the questioner, 'you have not been there, you have been in Dr. Hearne's office for more than two hours. I have been watching you.' Then she admitted the whole thing, and she asked this friend to go to Dr. Hearne and appeal to his manhood to let her alone.

"This friend did make such an appeal, and the Doctor replied: 'No, I won't do it.' When asked, 'What are you going to do?' he answered, 'I am going to get her to get a divorce.'

"On the afternoon before the murder, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock, Mrs. Fannie C. Stillwell was in the office of Dr. Hearne, and asked him the question, 'Doctor, is everything all right for to-night?' and he answered, saying, 'Yes, everything is fixed.' Well, so much for the circumstances prior to this offense, as I now call them to mind. As I stated before, this murder occurred on Saturday night, Dec. 29, 1888, or perhaps the morning of the 30th. On that evening Mr. Wm. A. Munger, one of the representative citizens of Hannibal, gave a party at his home, to which Amos J. Stillwell, his wife and Dr. Hearne were invited. They all engaged in a card game during the evening, and about 11:30, or perhaps a few minutes later, after refreshments had been served, a dance was proposed. Mr. Stillwell being an old man, he and his wife left before the dance began, and so also did Dr. Hearne. That was the last seen of Amos J. Stillwell alive."

Mr. Heather then came down to the tragedy. He described the location of Dr. Hearne's office and the location of Stillwell's house, with reference to Dr. Hearne's office, and the sleeping rooms in the Stillwell mansion, and said:

"His wife went up stairs and he went back to get a drink and see that the doors were locked. It was the custom of Amos J. Stillwell to examine the doors each night. The door leading out of the bed-room of Mrs. Stillwell into the servants' room was left open. About 1:45 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Fannie Hearne went to the servants' door and knocked, calling 'Lizzie!' 'Lizzie!' (The Court here sustained an objection to anything that Mrs. Hearne said or did not in the presence of Dr. Hearne.)

"She awakened the servants, and she, in company with them, removed the children from the bed to the servants' room, and there she had the two servants and the two children locked up. Mrs. Stillwell then crossed the street to give the alarm. She went in her night dress and barefooted. Those who were summoned found the body of Amos J. Stillwell. Matches were found scattered all over the house. There were no signs of a burglar having entered the house. There was nothing gone from the house except the money that Mr. Stillwell had in his pocket. Dr. Hearne was called and made an examination. Mr. Heather described the wounds on the body, the search of the premises for footprints of a burglar, and the finding of an axe in the woodshed.

"During the funeral ceremony, Dr. Hearne was up stairs with the widow. He appeared at the head of the steps while the services were being conducted, and said, 'Hurry up, move on with him,' and they complied with the Doctor's request, and moved him out. Neither attended the funeral.

"On Friday, following the Doctor's suggestions, Mrs. Stillwell was removed to Battle Creek, Mich., and he, in company with the nurse, and, I think, Mrs. R. H. Stillwell, went to Battle Creek, for the purpose of placing Mrs. Stillwell in a sanitarium.

"Ten days from the time that Amos J. Stillwell was murdered Dr. Hearne announced that just as soon as sufficient length of time had elapsed he was going to propose matrimony to Mrs. Fannie C. Stillwell."

Following Heather's statement Charles Bonfit was put on the stand as the first witness. He is City Surveyor of Hannibal and merely submitted plats of the Stillwell residence and vicinity.

W. A. Munger was the next witness. It was at his home that the party was held on the evening of Dec. 29, 1888, the night of the murder. He detailed the occurrences of the evening, which have little bearing on the case save perhaps that Dr. Hearne and the Stillwells left together, and that Mrs. Hearne won the first prize at euchre that night.

Dr. Gleason was then called. He was aroused on the night of the murder about 2 a. m. and went immediately to the Stillwell residence. There were two beds in the Stillwell bed-room, both parallel, the one up against the east wall and the other about five feet west, against the north wall. The murdered man lay on the north side of the bed, his hips on the edge of the bed and his head on the pillow resting on his arm. His head faced the pillow slightly. The door into the room is on the north side. Stillwell's bed was seventy feet from it. The body was dressed in a gown. He examined the cut by candle light and found it to extend through the ear from the outer angle of the left eye backward, downward and inward, two inches in depth and four inches in length at an angle of 45 deg. He thought the man had been dead about an hour when he arrived.

At this point an adjournment was taken until to-day.

Dr. Hearne was not apparently affected by the day's proceedings, but the strain was very manifest upon his wife. When she came into the court in the morning she was as pale as a corpse, but as the day wore on her face grew hot and flushed and blotched with the red fever of a terrible excitement. There was a lightening around the lips and a droop to the corners of the mouth which told too plainly the internal struggle.

Just at the close of the day there came a look into her deep blue eyes which was inhuman in its cruelty. She had been sitting there all day listening to Heather's denunciation of her husband and his assaults upon her character and her whole being was aroused. She rose from her seat to go and as she did so her glance fell on a newspaper man from Hanibal whose paper has been very bitter in its tone to her and hers. No man who ever saw that look could ever forget it, for it had in it all the hate that turns the human being into the beast. The pupils dilated and the fire flashed and seemed to burn like coals. The tiger in her was aroused and if this could be taken as an index to her character she is now a desperate woman indeed.

The jury seems to give general satisfaction to both sides. The men are all intelligent looking, much above the average, and as yet there is not the slightest suspicion that their verdict, whatever it may be, will be anything but honest.

It is certain that Mrs. Susie Hayward is coming. A telegram was received last night from her in Chattanooga signifying her intent to be present and testify.

Dr. Hearne is out in a card denying the statement printed in the Hannibal Evening News that he had sent word to Sheriff Pratt of Marion County that he intended killing him and Richard Stillwell. H. B. Hull, editor of the paper, declares that he can get affidavits to corroborate his statements.

Dr. W. L. Gleason resumed his testimony this morning. The facts of the greatest importance which the physician brought out under Mr. Heather's questioning were that Amos J. Stillwell died instantly upon receiving the blow from the ax, and that the body had been moved after death. The doctor reached the first conclusion from the nature of the blow, the peaceful expression of the dead man's face. The second by reason of the fact that there was an indenture in the middle of the bed soaked

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WILL THE BIG CENTER RUSH MAKE A TOUCHDOWN?

—From the Chicago Evening Journal.

ALLEN G. THURMAN PASSES AWAY.

The Old Roman Passes Away Peacefully at Columbus

IN HIS SON'S HOUSE.

Some Anecdotes Illustrative of His Personal Career and His Personal Characteristics.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 12.—Allen G. Thurman died at 1:15 p. m.

The death of Mr. Thurman was a painful shock to the general public. The latest reports from him before to-day were to the effect that he was doing finely. The Thurman residence is about a mile from the center of the town and details are eagerly awaited for. Absolutely no other information came with the announcement of the death of the aged statesman save that it occurred at 1:15 p. m.

Early in November Judge Thurman had

ALLEN G. THURMAN.

the fall which resulted in a serious injury to his hip. No bones being broken, and his constitution being so wonderfully strong, led to the belief that he would soon regain his normal health. But he has never rallied from the injuries received at that time.

Allen Granberry Thurman had carved his name deeply in the records of his country. He was born at Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 13, 1813. For six generations his ancestors had been natives of Virginia. His grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War. His father was the Rev. P. Thurman. His mother was the only daughter of Col. Nathaniel Allen, father of William Allen, who, late in life, became Governor of Ohio. When Allen Thurman was but 6 years old his parents removed from Lynchburg to Chillicothe, O., and there he was educated and resided until he removed to Columbus in 1852, which ever since has been his home. He studied law with his uncle, William Allen, the United States Senator, and subsequently with Noah H. Swayne, afterward an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. He was admitted to the bar in 1835, and his sole ambition was to become a good lawyer with a fair practice.

In 1844, against his protest, he was nominated for member of Congress and was elected after a quiet canvass, in which there was nothing on his side but his wise and homely speeches, reversing an adverse majority by over 600 votes. He was put on the Judiciary Committee of the House and soon became distinguished as a great lawyer. He declined re-election at the close of his term and retired, as he thought, to private life for good and all. But in 1851, when the new constitution of Ohio was adopted, he was pressed into the race for a Supreme Court Judgeship and was elected, leading his ticket by over 1,000 votes. He sat upon the bench for four years, the last two years serving as Chief Justice.

In 1867, after a season of rest, he was put forward as the Democratic candidate for the Governorship, Gen. Rutherford B. afterward President, Hayes, leading the Republican hosts. There was no chance for a Democratic victory, the Republican majority the year before having been 43,000. Under Judge Thurman's sledge-hammer blows, however, this enormous majority was beaten down to a trifle less than 3,000 and the Legislature was captured by a decisive majority, insuring the defeat of Ben Wade. Judge Thurman was elected in Mr. Wade's stead and took his seat in the Senate in 1869.

Here he served two full terms, from 1869 to 1881. In his "Twenty Years of Congress," Mr. Blaine says of Mr. Thurman, that "his rank in the Senate was established from the day he took his seat and was never lowered during the period of service. His retirement from the Senate was a serious loss to his party—a loss, indeed, to the body. He left behind him the respect of all with whom he had been associated during his twelve years of honorable service."

During his entire twelve years of service in the Senate he was the recognized leader of the Democratic minority in that body.

Judge Thurman, as he is known in Columbus, was for many years a possible candidate for the Presidency, and perhaps if he had ever employed the ordinary electioneering expedients he would have received the nomination. He has always clung to the old-fashioned idea, however, that the nomination should not be indecorously sought for and could not be in honor declined.

In 1888 he was the Democratic nominee for Vice-President on the ticket with Grover Cleveland, the year in which Harrison and Morton were elected. Since then Thurman has been in retirement.

The red bandana, which fluttered into such significant prominence immediately after his nomination to the Vice-Presidency, was waved triumphantly in the United States Senate Chamber from 1869 to 1881, and during those years in which Mr. Thurman was the representative of Ohio. From the breast pocket of his coat there might always be seen the protruding corner of a red silk handkerchief, known throughout the South and Southwest as a "bandanna," and popular in that era with snuff takers.

Mr. Thurman always avoided ostentation in his mode of living and thought more of quiet comfort than of show.

In November, 1844, he married Mary, daughter of Mr. Walter Dun of Fayette County, Ky. She was reared in Chillicothe, and she and her husband were schoolmates from childhood. Mrs. Thurman was always noted as a most admirable woman, devoted to her home, her husband and her children.

Judge Thurman has been one of the most thorough scholars in public life in this country. Always a student, he became early in life a great lawyer, and since then devoted much time to lighter study. A fine French scholar, his favorite books were the works of the earlier French dramatists, which he read in the original. He had an unusually large and well-selected library, and there are few books in the range of polite literature that he was not familiar with. He had a little genius for mathematics and frequently occupied himself in working out the most abstruse and intricate problems. He said that he was prouder of his knowledge of mathmatics that he was of anything else. He had no college training and had no diploma save the certificate of a grammar school.

STANDARD OIL MAN FINED.

Convicted of a Violation of the Texas Anti-Trust Law.

WACO, Tex., Dec. 12.—H. T. Hathaway of Denison, Tex., agent at that point of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co., alleged to be a member of the Standard Oil Trust, was convicted to-day of violating the anti-trust statute of Texas. The jury assessed his penalty at $50 fine.

Other defendants awaiting trial are Messrs. Rockefeller, Flagler and the leading Standard and Waters-Pierce Oil companies' officials. None of them have been arrested. The verdict to-day will be appealed from.

PASSED THE STRAITS.

British and Italian Gunboats Said to Have Gone to Constantinople.

ROME, Dec. 12.—A dispatch received here to-day from Constantinople says that the British gunboat Dryad and the Italian gunboat Archimedes passed the Straits of the Dardanelles to-day. A panic is said to prevail at Galata and Pera to-day, suburbs of Constantinople.

Minneapolis & St. Louis Dividend.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent on the first preferred and a semi-annual dividend of 1½ per cent on the second preferred stock.

REV. COSGROVE UNDER AN ENGINE.

Both Legs Cut Off by a Terminal Locomotive.

HE DIED AT THE HOSPITAL.

The Clergyman Was Recently Unfrocked by Archbishop Kain for Insubordination.

Rev. John Cosgrove, a Catholic clergyman, who was recently unfrocked by Archbishop Kain for insubordination, was horribly mangled by a Terminal switch engine at 11 o'clock this morning.

When his mutilated body was dragged, crushed and bleeding, from beneath the wheels of the locomotive it was found that both legs had been cut off.

An ambulance took him to the Mullanphy Hospital, where the physicians pronounced his injuries so serious that death was momentarily expected. He lingered in great agony until 12:30 o'clock, when death came to his relief.

There is a wide stretch of railroad tracks at Tenth and Poplar streets, and when Fr. Cosgrove attempted to cross there he found his way obstructed on all sides by standing passenger coaches. The morning trains are left standing there to be cleaned and gotten in readiness for their night trip.

Blindly unmindful of the danger, Fr. Cosgrove tried to make his way through the labryinth of trains by climbing between the cars.

It was a foolhardy undertaking, and would not have been undertaken by a man in full possession of his senses. But since his troubles with his ecclesiastical superiors, Fr. Cosgrove has been under a mental strain, accentuated by a departure from his abstemious mode of life, that left him in a continual state of mental excitement.

He had clambered in and out several rows of coaches when he emerged into a clear space. He was dazed and did not see a fast approaching Terminal engine.

The locomotive was almost upon him when the engineer, James Garseline, noticed him. There was neither time to ring a bell, reverse levers or shout a warning before the engine bore down upon the priest.

The cowcatcher struck him in the side, knocking him to the ground. He was dragged under the wheels and horribly mangled before the engine was brought to a stop.

Car cleaners, who had noticed the peculiar actions of the priest, saw him walk out to his death and ran to the scene of the accident.

They took his crushed and bleeding body from under the wheels and laid it upon a railroad stretcher. Then they carried the body to a little restaurant at Eleventh and Papin streets and sent for an ambulance.

The priest was then conveyed to the City Dispensary, where Dr. Kearney cut off the crushed part of the right leg and his left foot, which was only hanging by a small piece of skin. A cut, five inches long, on the right side of his face, was temporarily dressed and the injured man at his own request was sent to the Mullanphy Hospital.

Fr. Cosgrove's identification was established by letters in his pocket from Monsignor Satolli, the papal delegate, which bore the address 303 Franklin avenue, but from which number he had moved some months ago, as postoffice stamps on the letters showed.

Immediately after the accident, Engineer James Garseline was ordered to turn his engine into the shops, and he was suspended awaiting the result of an investigation that will follow. He shortly afterward went to his home at 1831 Papin street.

Supt. W. A. Garrett of the Terminal Association, in commenting upon the occurrence, said:

"While no official report has yet reached this office I have inquired into the accident and am satisfied as to how it happened. The man who was injured, I learn, was a Catholic priest. He was crossing the tracks down at the old Union Depot. He stepped down at the platform of a passenger coach from the platform of a passenger coach and onto the track just as Engine No. 4 was passing. The engineer, Mr. Garseline, saw the man, and made an effort to stop, but as he carried no train and was running at a pretty high rate of speed, he could not stop in time to prevent the accident. It is deplorable, but as far as I have been able to learn it was unavoidable."

Fr. Cosgrove's death is the climax of an unfortunate career. For a long time past he has been at outs with his ecclesiastical superiors. Whether through stubbornness or independence he refused to obey the orders of Archbishop Kain last summer and was suspended. He then came to St. Louis and got into the newspapers by a public warning issued by Archbishop Kain notifying the Catholic laity that Fr. Cosgrove was not authorized to collect money. Fr. Cosgrove had been collecting money from employes of the Scullin Road but claimed he had to do it as the Archbishop had left him no other way to make a living.

At the time he told a Post-Dispatch reporter the story of his troubles, Archbishop Kenrick had put him in charge of a country parish at Macon, Mo. There were two church buildings in the town and as there was only one priest to look after them Fr. Cosgrove sold one of the buildings. Meanwhile Archbishop Kain took charge of the diocese. When he learned of Fr. Cosgrove's action he sent Vicar General Muehlsiepen to the place and had him buy back the church property. Then he took Fr. Crosgrove away and made him Chaplain to a community of nuns at Catawissa, Mo. Fr. Cosgrove only showed up for duty one Sunday. The Archbishop then suspended him.

He came to this city in October and was living on the charity of friends. He talked of suing Archbishop Kain for damages for removing him from his position, but later began corresponding with Mgr. Satolli in hopes of obtaining redress for his alleged grievances, through the papal delegate. Fr. Cosgrove was born and educated in the St.

A train on the railway from Santa Clara to Santo Domingo was derailed by insurgents near Jicotea, the scene of a former affair of a similar nature. The conductor and the fireman were killed.

There have been several inconsequential skirmishes of late, not worth reporting. The party of Lacret is near Colon, in Matanzas. Gen. Campos has gone to Matanzas.

FADING AWAY.

An Island in Long Island Sound Gradually Disappearing.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

SOUTH NORWALK, Dec. 12.—Little L'Hammock Island, one of a group of many lying off this city, is gradually disappearing beneath the waters of Long Island Sound, and in a few years more, scientific men agree, the famous island will, like its sister island, Big L'Hammock, be but a memory.

The Norwalk group has long been a popular summer resort for wealthy New Yorkers and was a famous picnic ground thirty years ago. Big L'Hammock, with its shade trees, broad acres and many romantic nooks, was crowded from early summer until fall with people, who pitched their tents there and spent their time hunting, fishing and lounging along the shady beach. Finally it began to fade away and eventually disappeared altogether. Where the island was the water is now several feet deep at low tide and forms part of an immense oyster tract.

Oystermen first noticed that Little L'Hammock was growing smaller about five years ago and during last summer it was plain that the land was surely settling.

INCREDIBLE IGNORANCE.

A Grown Girl in New York Who Did Not Know the City's Name.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—"Where do you live?" asked Coroner Hoeber yesterday of Bertha Koenig, the adult grand-daughter of Abraham Koenig, who fell from the second story of No. 78 Chrystie street on Dec. 4, and died next day.

"I don't know," said the girl when the question was translated for her.

"Don't you know the name of this city?"

"No."

"What country is this?"

"I know that. The States."

"What book is this?" asked the Coroner, holding out the Bible.

"I don't know."

"Ever hear of the Bible?"

"No."

"Ever hear of Jesus Christ?"

"No."

"Step down. You are not wanted as a witness."

The jury found that Koenig's death was accidental.

St. Louis Companies Chartered.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—The Secretary of State to-day granted articles of incorporation to the A. D. Field Piano Co. of St. Louis, capital $30,000. Incorporators, L. F. Mason, H. L. Mason, O. A. Field and others. Also to the Rutledge & Kilpatrick Realty Co. of St. Louis; capital $10,000. Incorporators, Robert Rutledge, Claude K[illegible]trick and Rene Bakerwell.

TOUCHING CRY FROM ARMENIA.

"In the Name of Humanity and Christianity Save Us!"

100,000 PEOPLE MASSACRED.

Half a Million Survivors Now Refugees in the Mountains Living on Roots and Herbs.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch addressed to the Associated Press and signed by a number of Armenians of Constantinople, has been received here. It says: "Armenia is at her last gasp. The work of extermination goes on; the number of people massacred reaches 100,000, and half a million of survivors have taken refuge in the forests and mountains, where they are feeding on herbs and roots. Hunger and cold have begun to make great ravages among them. In the name of humanity and Christianity save us."

The Standard's Constantinople correspondent says: The Porte is absolutely deserted by ministers, who hide day and night at the Palace, where confusion reigns supreme.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Constantinople reports the arrest by Palace officials and the subsequent liberation of the chief messenger of the British Postoffice, who is an Armenian.

THE CUBAN WAR.

Movements of Spanish and Insurgent Troops for Positions.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The following cable from Havana, Cuba, is printed here to-day:

Gomez and Maceo evidently are trying to reach the rough country in the north of Santa Clara Province, between Remedios and Sagua La Grande.

Though there is no official news of the present whereabouts of the main body of the insurgent army, I have trustworthy information that the two commanders are near, if not actually in Placetas. It has been stated that the army was moving westward through the southern part of the country, headed for the Trinidad Mountains. My advices are that the Cuban chieftains have certainly reached Trebistal, only five miles southeast of Placetas, which is forty miles nearly east of Santa Clara City, the Spanish headquarters.

One of the new Spanish battalions just landed, that of Catalonia, is now in front of this insurgent column, with other troops under Gen. Oliver. The two rebel leaders, apparently, have a small force of mounted men. All the newly-arrived troops have gone to the front.

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KEELY STILL AT WORK.

The Stockholders in the Motor Company Hold Their Annual Meeting.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 12.—Stockholders in the Keely Motor Co. held an annual meeting to-day, which was notable chiefly for the fact that no signs of the much-talked-of deal by which John Jacob Astor and other New York capitalists were to gain control of the stock appeared. The meeting was presided over by Frank Green of New York and the annual report showed that Keely is still at work, has built a beautiful engine which moves all right in his shop, but has not yet succeeded in making a commercially perfect structure. The report concludes with the urgent request that letters patent be secured by Mr. Keely on all engines and other machines invented by him.

There was a little breeze over the election of directors and only one change was made, Charles B. Collier, Keely's close friend, succeeding Jacob T. Warner of New York, who was dropped. The directors chosen are: B. L. Ackerman, John J. Smith, A. M. Clarrey and George H. Hastings of New York; Charles B. Collier of Lancaster, and Thomas and Harrison Snyder of this city. Fifty-two thousand shares were voted.

LOVE FOUND A WAY.

Even a Bull Dog and Coal Tar Could Not Balk These Lovers.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

WOLCOTT, N. Y., Dec. 12.—John Watson Hines, a young farmer near here, after an ardent courtship, asked early last week for the hand of his sweetheart, Miss Emma Eileen Beon, daughter of Joshua G. Beon, a neighboring farmer, and was nearly kicked out of the house. On Friday night the lovers prepared to elope. Mounted on a barrel, young Hines helped his sweetheart from her chamber and then fell into the barrel, covering himself with the contents, liquid coal tar.

Forth rushed Pa Beon at the sound, followed by Kosciusko, his faithful and ferocious bull-dog, and they chased the pair into the barn, where Hines' buggy was concealed. The dog was "boosted" in through a hole and attacked the lovers, but he was speedily killed with a few well-directed strokes of a pitchfork. Then Pa Beon stormed, swore and shivered for he was in his thin night-robe till a cold wind and the snow under his feet had forced a compromise. The whole party returned to the house and the wedding was arranged for a fortnight hence, when the old man was put to bed, from which he has not since arisen. Young Hines secured his best suit of clothes and got his girl.

THINK THEY HAVE THE OIL SLINGER.

Fourth District Police Holding a Reticent Prisoner.

A PARTIAL IDENTIFICATION.

Arrested at the Suggestion of a Victim, He Refuses to Give His Name.

A man who the police suspect is the villainous freak who has been ruining the dresses of North St. Louis women is being held for identification at the Fourth District Station.

Captain Phillips' Hawkshaws in the Fourth District haven't been sleeping a wink for weeks. They have been scouring the district night and day in search of "Jack the Oil Slinger." They think their vigilance was rewarded Thursday morning, and now everyone of them is green with envy because of the good luck which fell to Officer Jerry McCarthy.

McCarthy is muscular and built like a thoroughbred. He has always been popular among the ladies on his beat, but his act to-day has sent his stock of popularity out of the reach of envious compeers.

He was standing on the corner of Fourth street and St. Louis avenue, 7 a. m. He was whirling his club and whistling a sentimental ditty. Along came blithely tripping pretty Miss Schluter of 2229 Sullivan avenue. Miss Schluter is one of the many victims of the oil thrower. On a corner opposite to that occupied by Officer McCarthy loitered a monster male. He wore a drooping mustache and had about him the general air of innocuous desuetude. Miss Schluter surveyed the individual hastily. Then she approached Officer McCarthy. McCarthy smiled winsomely and raised his tall chapeau with practiced grace into McCarthy's ear Miss Schluter whispered these ominous words:

"I believe the villain on the other corner is the oil thrower."

"What's that?" screeched McCarthy, unable to control his surging emotion.

Miss Schluter repeated the ominous words in a louder voice than at first.

Quick as a flash with military stride did McCarthy get across the street. He laid hands upon the individual of the innocuous dessuetude air. The prisoner wriggled and squirmed, but he could not get out of the iron grasp of McCarthy. Then Miss Schluter was called over to identify him. She scrutinized him closely.

"He doesn't answer exactly the description of the villain who threw oil on my best dress several weeks ago," she said, "but there is a villainous gleam in his eye that tells me he may be the same one," she went on to say, giving free vent to feminine intuition. "I couldn't swear to his identity, but he looks something like the man."

Then Miss Schluter tripped on down Fourteenth street, and Officer Jerry McCarthy, with triumphant tread marched off to the Fourth District Station with the quaking suspect. When he reached there with his man the station was thrown into intense excitement. Capt. Phillips and Sergt. Rea put the trembling prisoner through a sharp examination.

All they could get out of him was that he was not the oil thrower, that he was married and lived with his wife and nine children out on Lucky street in the neighborhood of 4400. He would not give his name because he said he did not want to bring disgrace on his trusting wife and innocent children by being arrested for the oil slinger, about whom he had been reading a good deal in the papers, and he did not want to give his address because his neighbors would scoff at him and his family.

Capt. Phillips sent the man in the charge of a special officer out to the Irving School, where another of his supposed victims is a teacher. This is Miss Otillie Herzog. She declared that he very much resembled the man who a few evenings ago followed her from the corner of Grand avenue and Natural Bridge road, where she got out of a car, to Kossuth avenue and ruined her $24 coat by throwing some sort of acid on it, which, on analysis by her brother, Dr. Herzog, was declared to be vitriol.

The prisoner's mustache drooped a little too much, Miss Herzog told the officer, and his eye didn't flash as wicked a glare as those of the man who ruined her fine coat, but otherwise the resemblance was very marked. His clothes and general look were very strong proofs of his guilt, she thought, and if the police would detain him until her school was out for the day she would call at the station and examine him more closely.

The officer thereupon took him back to the station and turned him over to Capt. Phillips, who is trying to entertain him until Miss Herzog and others of his supposed victims can get a good look at him.

Capt. Phillips said that he had no right to put the man in jail until somebody made some kind of a complaint against him, but hopes to be able to keep the gentleman entertained until the ladies call.

The prisoner is about 35 years old, wears dark clothes and snuff-colored overcoat. His eyes are blue and his mustache dark and drooping. He is about five feet six inches tall and weighs about 140 pounds.

The amateur neurologists of St. Louis and some of the professionals are devoting much time and attention, these bleak December days, to the psychological study presented by "Jack the Oil Slinger." They find the subject a peculiarly fascinating one, because of the difficulties it presents.

The Oil Slinger's chosen diversion is to the expert mind really more curious, though though not so horrible, than the method selected by the Whitechapel fiend, to gratify a perverted instinct. Scientists are pretty well agreed as to the passion which dominated Jack the Ripper. And in the cases of those perverts who delight in kindling conflagrations there is no controversy as to the effect the gratification of the passion produces. The same may be said of such freaks as "Jack the Hugger," "Jack the Kisser" and "Jack the Hair Cutter."

In all such cases the theorist has been able to trace an analogy between the psychical and physical beings of the subject. They have been able to indicate, with at least theoretical certainty, the exact physical sense gratified by each ebullition of perverted passion.

It is not so with the oil slinger. The theorists can't locate the fun he gets out of flinging oil of vitriol on a woman's cloak or gown. If he smeared it on with his hands, or if he remained to watch the stuff eat into and destroy the fabric, it wouldn't be such a hard nut to crack. Every neurologist knows the symptoms and can expose the cause when there is an obvious effect on the sense of sight or touch. But in the case of the North St. Louis miscreant it is not apparent that either his sight, touch, taste, hearing or smelling is affected. In fact, it seems impossible that anyone of them can be aroused by the act of throwing a corrosive oil on a piece of dry goods, even though it be worn by a woman.

"The beast must have a sixth sense," said an amateur to a Post-Dispatch man. "I can explain it on no other hypothesis. There is nothing in the scientific books like it, and even the makers of neurologic fiction have failed to evolve anything of the sort. Zola's locomotive engineer, who could not look upon a woman with the eye of passion without a desire to do murder, does not approach the oil-slinger as a curiosity, though that creation could hardly be termed typical. Beloit's 'Mademoiselle Giraud' belonged to a clearly defined type, and is not to be classed with the St. Louis monstrosity. Neither can that other character in French fiction who had the instinct to slay and began on a canary bird and worked gradually up through the medium of a rat, a cat and a dog to a human victim.

"The oil slinger is sui generis and, as I said, must have a sixth sense."

"If the oil slinger should be captured should he be punished?"

"That brings up the question of legal responsibility for natural instincts. If those instincts are uncontrollable I understand the law to be that the person afflicted is legally insane and therefore irresponsible. But who shall say whether the instinct might not have been controllable if the possessor had not been assured of immunity in the event he could persuade the powers that it was beyond his control.

"An incident which illustrates my point recurs to me. A man who had cruelly murdered his friend and benefactor without cause was asked if the crime were suggested by a somewhat similar murder which had occurred a short time before. He replied: 'If they'd hang a few of these cranks there wouldn't be so many people killed.'

"The man who said that afterwards established his insanity beyond question by dying in a madhouse a hopeless maniac. I don't know whether he should have been hanged or not, but within a year after he killed his friend a woman in the same town committed an equally causeless murder. No, I wouldn't like to say what should be done with Jack, the Oil Slinger, but it strikes me that any citizen who catches him would be excusable if not justified in giving him one or two swift, straight punches in the countenance."

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At about Half their Regular Value,
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ALL DRESS GOODS 35 CENTS A YARD AND UNDER Sold in this Department. As a Fair Sample of Values We Offer;
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Lot WOOL DRESS PATTERNS, put up in fancy bands, for Holiday Presents, prices ranging from $1.00 to $3.50 a Dress Pattern.

CARLISLE'S REPORT.

It May Be Considered at a Special Cabinet Meeting, Monday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—It is thought that President Cleveland will return Monday and that a special Cabinet meeting will then be held to consider Lord Salisbury's reply in the matter of Venezuela, and also Secretary Carlisle's report. Congress is anxiously awaiting this report from the Treasury Department.

It is believed that Mr. Carlisle will say there is no need for legislation to increase the revenue, as, in spite of the $30,000,000 deficit, the tariff receipts by June 30 will be in excess of expenditures. The Secretary will argue very strongly for the retirement of the greenbacks and for other changes of the currency laws, which will insure the stability of the gold reserve.

THE WEATHER.

Fair Thursday Night and Somewhat Warmer Friday.

For St. Louis and vicinity—Generally cloudy Thursday. Fair Thursday night. Fair and warmer Friday.

For Illinois—Light snow; fair Friday. Somewhat cooler in southwest portion.

For Missouri—Fair Friday. Somewhat cooler Thursday night; warmer Friday.

The storm since Wednesday morning has moved southeastward to Georgia with decreased energy. Another marked "low" has appeared in Alberta, while the pressure remains highest in Utah.

There have been light snows and rains in the Central Valleys and Lake Region, while fair weather has prevailed elsewhere.

The temperatures have fallen from 2 to 14 degrees except in the Southeast and the extreme Northwest, but are everywhere moderate.

NO VERDICT.

The Jury in the Hudspeth-Mytinger Case Unable to Agree.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 12.—The jury in the Mytinger-Hudspeth case have been out since yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock. This morning they were called into court and they announced that they had been unable to reach a verdict. At 1 o'clock the jury were unable to agree and were sent back to their room, where they will remain until 6 o'clock unless a conclusion is reached.

Mrs. Levia Wants a Divorce.

Lulu B. Levia has sued for a divorce from Edward E. Levia, alleging abuse and failure to support. They were married in Kansas City in March, 1894.

P. H. Ingalls Is Ready. Page 6.

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Ages 3 to 14 years.
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We have 100 doz Boys' Beaver Cloth Telescope Caps, to draw down over the ears, regular 50c. Cut Sale Price 25c
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25 doz Men's Caps, good and warm, regular price 50c. Cut Sale Price 25c
50 doz Men's Heavy Chinchilla Caps, regular price 75c. Cut Sale Price 38c
25 doz Men's Extra Fine Corduroy Caps, regular price 75c. Cut Sale Price 43c
10 doz Men's Extra Fine Scotch Wool Caps, Stanley shape. These goods are worth $1.50. Cut Sale Price 75c
25 doz. Men's Seal Plush Caps, they would be cheap at $2.00, Cut Sale Price 98c

SPECIAL.
52 doz. Men's Fedora Hats, in fur felt, silk band and binding, colors blue, black and brown, regular price $1.25. Cut Sale Price 75c

We have just received a large shipment of OUR $1.65 HATS, in Fedora and the latest style Derby, colors, blue, black and brown, the most sensible thing for an XMAS PRESENT.

GREAT CUT SALE!

Like a bull in a china shop, we have smashed and crashed through our great store, chopping prices down to nothing. We would rather sacrifice our splendid stock now than to carry over the goods after the 1st of January.

1000 MEN'S FINE SUITS, OVERCOATS and ULSTERS, worth $18 and $20, at $9.65
This is absolutely the greatest value ever offered.

A PAIR OF FINE STEEL CLUB SKATES FREE
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BOYS' LONG PANTS SUITS, OVERCOATS AND ULSTERS.

$5.00 Single and Double-Breasted, all colors, SUITS AND OVERCOATS $2.45
$6.00 SUITS, OVERCOATS and ULSTERS, at $3.45
Ages 14 to 19 years.
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Ages 14 to 19 years.
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All Sizes and Styles. $1.00 Shoes 69c
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A big lot of fine Sample $4.00 Shoes, about 800 pairs, of all sizes, at $1.39
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1000 pairs Men's Patent Leather Shoes, worth $3, $1.29
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200 doz Men's stylish All-Linen Standing Collars, Lion Brand, assorted styles, in a box, worth $1.50 dozen, go at, per dozen 25c
200 doz Men's fine Merino Half Hose, all sizes, worth 25c, go at 13c
58 doz Children's Strictly ALL-WOOL Underwear, all sizes, worth 65c, goes at 35c
160 doz Children's Underwear in white and gray merino, worth 40c, goes at 19c
120 doz Children's fine Black Seamless Hose, all wool, worth 25c, goes at 12c
20 doz Men's Merino Underwear, slightly soiled 10c
50 doz Men's Camel's Hair Underwear 42c
60 doz Men's finest Australian White Lambs' Wool Underwear, worth $1.50, go at 58c
28 doz Scarlet All-Wool Underwear, worth 75c, go at 42c
20 doz finest Silk Mufflers, most stylish polka dot effects, worth $1.00, go at 50c
20 doz finest Silk Umbrellas, "Drummers' Samples," bought at 60 cents on the dollar, retailed in the same way.
50 doz heavy double fleeced Flannelette Overshirts, full regular made, yoke neck band, 2 outside pockets, pearl buttons, worth all of a dollar apiece, at 50c
20 doz Men's fine Dress Shirts, fancy bosoms, worth $1, go at 50c
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MRS. MORRISON'S BALL.

Her Early Hours Innovation Was a Pronounced Success.

Mrs. J. L. D. Morrison's attempt to introduce early hours at a high social function was successfully carried out at her ball at Mahler's last evening. The attendance was beyond expectations. The bachelors who have eschewed society for years past, turned out in force to bid their hostess God speed to her new crusade. The fun waxed fast and furious from the opening waits at 8:30 o'clock when the floor was crowded until "Home Sweet Home" was played at five minutes after midnight.

When Mrs. Morrison decided to give her grand-daughter, Miss Lily M. Carr, a debut party, she also hit upon a novel method of reform. Cards were issued for the function, to be held at Mahler's Hall, and it was plainly stipulated on every invitation that dancing would be from 8 to 12 o'clock. Few imagined this plan could be successfully carried out.

Some thought it was only a little scheme to have the guests report promptly then run the ball indefinitely. But developments proved Mrs. Morrison was very much in earnest when she issued her proclamation.

At five minutes past 12 o'clock the orchestra played "Home, Sweet Home," which meant the ball was at an end. The ladies and their escorts tried to move the musicians to an encore by loud and continuous applause, but their instructions were positive, and they gave the guests the hint by packing their instruments and starting for home.

The decorations of the ball-room were beautiful and artistic.

The sides of the hall, balconies and ceiling, were hung with smilax, ferns and roses, while tropical plants and palms filled the windows and doorways. Under a canopy of garlands and ferns stood the receiving party, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Clark Carr, Miss Bessie Drew and Miss Lily M. Carr.

"I am more than pleased with the success of my idea," said Mrs. Morrison. "It is a much needed reform; one I believe all men will indorse and delight in. It first suggested itself to me when I complained to our society men about their lack of attention to St. Louis girls. I remonstrated with them for letting outsiders come here and carry away our most beautiful and accomplished young ladies.

"They told me it was absolutely impossible to give the girls due consideration. It was the fault of the ladies, they said, because it was impossible to get them to parties before 10 or 11 o'clock at night, or to get them home before 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning. They found they couldn't lead this kind of a life and be fit for business next day. So I was asked to come to the rescue, and I did.

"All my guests had arrived last night by 8:30, and at that hour the ball was in full sway. Not one gentleman sent his regrets, so you can see how they favored my suggestion. Only expressions of entire satisfaction were heard, and all the men congratulated me on my accomplishment."

EAST ST. LOUIS EXCEPTED.

Senator Cullom Amends His Bill About Illinois Customs Duties.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—In the Senate to-day Senator Cullom amended the bill requiring Illinois to pay all customs duties at Chicago so that East St. Louis is excluded. This leaves that city free to pay its duties at St. Louis as heretofore. The change to Chicago was detrimental to business interests of East St. Louis, and the amendment secured to-day was asked for by business men and merchants.

FORD SMITH LAUGHED.

The Story of a Filley and Walbridge Combine Made Him Merry.

The story from Washington to the effect that during the general jubilation of the St. Louis delegation ever securing the Republican National Convention there was a complete reconciliation between Uncle Filley and Mayor Walbridge, that each fell upon the other's neck and wept, and that Uncle Filley then and there promised to give the Mayor the gubernatorial nomination, is very romantic, but it does not contain any of the elements of probability.

The story flew around the City Hall at the noon hour Wednesday and so thrilled the statesmen who were just closing their desks that a number of them instead of going out to "feed their faces" loitered in the halls and feasted on the rumor until the time came for them to resume work.

The City Hall story was ridiculous on its face, because it credited Col. Ford Smith with having received hot from the wires a message from "De Ole Man" booming Walbridge for Governor.

Now, Col. Ford Smith is about the greatest Walbridge baiter in town and the bare suggestion that anybody would order or request him to start any sort of boom for Walbridge is too absurd to deserve serious consideration. When a Post-Dispatch reporter asked Col. Smith about the matter later in the day the Colonel went off in a fit of laughter that for awhile seemed to threaten apoplexy.

"Why," said he, after he recovered the power of speech, "that is the craziest story of the season. I understand that some lunatic went into the City Treasurer's office about noon to-day and started it. Whoever he was he should have been turned over to the police as a dangerous character. The idea that Mr. Filley or anybody else would ask me to start a gubernatorial boom for Walbridge is excruciatingly funny. In the first place, I've been out of politics for four years, and in the second place, even if I were in politics nobody would apply to me for assistance for Walbridge. You can say that if any such telegram was started to me from Washington it either got entangled in a treetop on the Alleghany Mountains or dropped in the Mississippi River and was drowned."

Then Col. Smith went off in another violent fit of laughter at his own joke.

The best informed Republicans of both factions give the story no credence whatever.

PROBABLY MURDER.

Death of Alex. Yule Traceable to the Assault of November 16.

Coroner Walt is trying to locate the responsibility of the death of Alexander Yule, who died Wednesday.

Yule was 78 years old and a member of the firm of Yule & Co., painters, at 312 North Fifteenth street. About four weeks ago Yule went to the police that he had been assaulted in his office by two unknown men, whom he described to the police, and robbed of about $150 in broad daylight.

The central location of the office and the desperate daring of the men created a sensation in police circles and the detective force was turned loose on the case. After several days' investigation the police discovered no clew and endeavored to give out the impression that Yule was not robbed and had only made up the story for effect.

Mr. Yule complained considerably of pains in his head, where he claimed to have been struck by one of the robbers. On Tuesday of this week he was knocked down while trying to avoid a buggy driven by Chris Schawacker, a local political hustler and undertaker. The next day he died.

Coroner Walt ordered a postmortem examination and commenced an inquest this afternoon.

According to the post-mortem examination made by Dr. Nietert the deceased came to his death from injury to the brain. There was a small fracture of the occipital bone, but no hemorrhage resulted. The anterior lobes of the brain were softened and through these portions were numerous small clots. These injuries were the result of blows on the head, and Dr. Nietert says that the softening of the brain was also the result of blows on the head received some time ago. He thought that the injuries received Tuesday night have hastened Yule's death, but were not directly responsible for the fatality, as the man would have eventually died from the blows received a month ago, probably inflicted by a sandbag.

The post-mortem seems to relieve Schawacker from direct responsibility of Yule's death and verifies his statement of having been assaulted by robbers. Chief Harrigan was spoken and said:

"The police thoroughly investigated the charges of assault and robbery, and there was not the slightest indication of the truth of Yule's statement. I do not care to discuss the autopsy, but have my own ideas concerning it. I do not believe Yule was assaulted nor do I believe it will develop into a case of murder by thieves."

The police have given up trying to find the alleged thieves and the responsibility for the old man's death will have to be fixed by the Coroner.

AFTER DIEKMANN'S HEAD.

Thirteen Delegates Want to Depose the Speaker of the House.

The enemies of Speaker Louis Diekmann, of the House of Delegates, are seeking to depose him.

Thirteen members of the House, including Murrell, the new member from the Nineteenth Ward, met at the house of Delegate C. S. Steward, 2617A Popin street, Tuesday evening and after a conference extending far into the night, decided upon a plan of action looking to the removal of Diekmann from the speakership of the House.

Those present at the caucus were Cronin, Steward, Schumacher, Bersch, Scherf, Burke, Lloyd, Murrell, Taubold, Sullivan, Watson, Kelly and Buechner.

This lumber lacked two of a majority and it was seen that an effort must be made to enlist aid from the other members. The whole matter was talked over and Mepham and Wilcox were selected as the two men most likely to yield to the blandishments of the reorganizers. As a consequence great pressure has been brought to bear upon the two members named, and the matter has progressed so far that they have been offered good committee chairmanships as an inducement to stand in against the Diekmann regime.

The cause of the trouble is said to be the dissatisfaction which prevails over the way in which the committees were made up. It is said that he should have been given a chairmanship and Taubold is not satisfied with his place at the head of the Committee on Legislation. As a matter of fact they are very sore and have been in that condition ever since Diekman was put in the chair. They talked the matter over and finally communicated the cause of their discontent to some of their most intimate friends. They were advised to raise the standard of revolt and finally did so. As a consequence the meeting at Steward's house was brought about and the plan for reorganization was laid out.

If they can secure the two votes needed to make up a majority they will move to reorganize and either Lloyd or Tauboid will be chosen to succeed Diekmann as Speaker. The committees will all be reorganized and an entire new deal had out around.

CHARGED WITH ARSON.

Dr. Renois' Son to Be Tried for Burning a House.

Frank Renois, son of Dr. Renois, formerly of Cahokia, but now of St. Louis, will be given a trial before Justice Guents at Belleville, Ill., Friday on the charge of arson.

The two-story frame dwelling of Dr. Renois on the Kahokia road in St. Clair County, Ill., was burned on the night of Nov. 15. The house was occupied by a colored family and they barely escaped with their lives. It was rumored at the time that the fire was of incendiary origin and young Renois was arrested Wednesday at the instance of August Chenet, president of the Firemen's Mutual Insurance Co. of St. Clair Co., and charged with the crime.

The house was insured for $1,500, but it is claimed that the Renois family could not gain anything by setting fire to the building, as the place was heavily mortgaged and the insurance would have gone to Supervisor Bordeaux of Cahokia, who held the mortgage.

THREE BAD YOUNG MEN.

They Are Brought Before Judge Murphy on Several Charges.

Before Judge Murphy Thursday Adolph Geiger, alias Palmer, was tried on a charge of petit larceny preferred by Michael McMahon. Geiger was sentenced to thirty days in the Work-house. He was then arraigned, charged by John Collins with grand larceny, and held for the grand-jury under $500 bonds.

Alonzo Thornton was arraigned, charged with confidencing Leo L. Wagner out of $80. He was held for the Grand Jury and his bond was filed at $800.

A charge of attempted grand larceny against Alonzo Thornton, Geiger and Bowman, then came up for trial. Edward Frank testified that the men had tried to secure $200 from him as a cash bond for a position as collector for a lumber company. The men were held for the Grand Jury under bonds of $500 each.

LAWYERS IN TROUBLE.

A. W. Mullin and C. C. Biggers Accused of Procuring False Testimony.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—Sensational charges were made to-day in the Supreme Court against Attorneys A. W. Mullin and C. C. Biggers of Linn County. They are accused of confederating with Byron G. Hurburt in procuring false and fraudulent testimony, by which Hurburt obtained a judgment against the Wabash Railway Co. for $6,500 for permanent injury, received by being thrown from an engine.

The paper was filed by George C. Grover, attorney for the Wabash Railway Co., and is an application for an appeal from the action of the Linn County Circuit Court, in refusing to grant an appeal from its judgment and in denying an injunction to prevent the collection of the money asked for on the ground that it was fraudulently obtained.

This is the second time charges have been made against Mullin in the Supreme Court. Last spring one vote saved him from being disbarred for the part he was said to have played in the record of the Howell murder case, which was mutilated before the court.

Xmas Slippers....

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Broadway and St. Charles Street.

DEATHS.

BURKE—At the family residence, No. 2805 Dickson st., Thursday, Dec. 12th, at 5 a. m., Jas. Burke, beloved husband of Mary Burke. Due notice of funeral will be given.

M'COY—Entered into rest, at 4045 Lee avenue, Leo McCoy, youngest child of Hugh and Bridget McCoy, aged 1 year and 6 months. Due notice of funeral.

PADDOCK—Entered into rest Wednesday morning, Dec. 11, at 5 o'clock, Nellie E. Paddock, youngest daughter of Mary E. and the late Orville Paddock, after a brief illness. Funeral from family residence, 3420 Washington avenue, Friday afternoon, Dec. 13, at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family invited to attend. Interment private.

Out on a Habeas Corpus Writ.

Attorney E. H. Taylor was granted a writ of habeas corpus Thursday for Frank Johnson, who is in jail charged with burglary and larceny. The grounds are that Johnson has been in jail through the sittings of two grand-juries and no indictment has been found against him. The case will be argued Friday.

REAL ESTATE MEN ARE UP IN ARMS.

They Bitterly Oppose the Effort to Limit High Buildings.

PROF. IVES' BILL IS FAULTY.

Architects and Builders Say There Should Be No Limit if Structures Are Made Fireproof.

When Councilman Halsey C. Ives attempts to pass the bill introduced by himself Tuesday night, limiting the height of St. Louis buildings to a maximum of 125 feet, he will find that he has stirred up a nest of old-time "yellow-jackets." Prof. Ives states that the bill was introduced by him for a friend. Yet, he says, he is in thorough sympathy with the spirit of the proposed ordinance. His sense of the beautiful leads him to feel that tall buildings are an unsightly abomination. Therefore, he will push the bill.

Real estate men and architects, as a rule, do not agree with the artist-lawmaker. The progress of St. Louis, the desire to impress visitors with its greatness, and the necessity for enlisting foreign capital in the work of development, they declare demand that no restrictions be placed on the work now going on, and in prospect. Available sites for big buildings are all in the downtown districts and outside of that they cannot be made to pay. If their height is limited to a few stories, say the dealers in reality, capitalists will not build them, as ground rent considered, nothing but a tall structure can be made to pay a sufficient revenue.

A Post-Dispatch reporter made the rounds of the real estate men Thursday morning to ascertain their feeling in the matter.

L. A. Moffett of Moffett & Franciscus did not approve of the 125-foot limit. "The foundation underlying this city," said he, "can stand any kind of a building that may be put up and architectural science and skill can make a tall structure as beautiful as one that is lower. These big buildings look well and they serve to advertise the city immensely. And they rent well, the upper stories being considered more desirable by some tenants than those lower down. There is no danger from fire if they are well constructed. I do not believe in passing any law that will drive away outside capital, and that is the effect such a limit would have. It is entirely too early in the progress of the city to make such a limit."

E. P. V. Ritter entertained the same views: "I do not think the placing of such a limit on buildings would be a wise movement just now. In my opinion there are no buildings in St. Louis that are higher than they ought to be, and I should like to see many more tall buildings erected. In Chicago, it is true, there is a limit of 160 feet, but this was not put on until capital had been permitted to erect enough of the sky scrapers to lend an imposing appearance to the business sections. I can see no possible reason for making restrictions now that will drive away vast sums of money that foreign capitalists propose to invest here. They now buy, a lot with the understanding that they can get a certain amount of income from a certain number of stories. If they are not permitted to build the required number of stories they will stay out. From an artistic standpoint, I think the large buildings give an air of grandeur and impressiveness to a city."

G. Schuchmann said: "This is a question that can be argued from two standpoints. The big buildings are a benefit in one sense and a detriment in another. By concentrating the buildings within a certain area and limiting them to say ten stories, that district would be rapidly built up. On the other hand that district would necessarily have to be greatly enlarged as business interests would be too widely scattered. In Chicago and other large cities the big buildings are close together, and a stranger is impressed with the imposing appearance. His opinion of a city is in fact formed from its great business buildings. On the whole, I should say that it is better to have no limit to building height. Our present buildings are giving St. Louis a standing and prestige everywhere as a city of the first class. Ninety per cent of the strangers in the city now go to see the Union Trust Building and they talk at home of its massiveness and great height. It is a great sight for them and serves to give them a good impression of the city."

Robert Rutledge said: "It is entirely too early to begin limitation. The buildings that we have are a credit to the city and several are in course of construction that will still further spread our fame. There is no reason why we should begin to pass laws that will drive away capital that will put up more of these structures. We have only recently broken away from a reign of old fogyism and attempts to pass such an ordinance as this are merely evidences of the free-and-easy spirit of the old whigs. I say to drive out the old fogies by defeating any such measures."

S. J. Fisher said: "I should be sorry to see such a bill made a law. I consider the big buildings a great credit and advertisement for the city. Visitors here are impressed by them and go away looking on ours as a great city. I say make every possible provision for fire-proofing and insist upon solidity of foundation that is undoubted, but let them go as high as they please. I feel that beauty of design can be retained in big structures as well as in those of lesser height and the appearance of massiveness cannot be secured in the latter. I trust that the bill will never become a law."

J. B. Case entertained a different opinion of the question. "I consider the proposed measure a wise one. Our streets are, many of them, narrow and the tall buildings shut out the light and make the streets look even narrower than they are. They also dwarf surrounding buildings that are not so tall. Besides comes in the danger from fire. These structures are a menace to surrounding buildings and in case of fire in the top stories they are beyond the reach of the Fire Department. To say that they are fire-proof does not answer the question. In the case of a general conflagration no building is safe. Another question is whether it is not better to distribute the building over a wider area and in that way distribute and increase the value of realty. Tall structures are apt to concentrate values too much. With these immense buildings full of people our narrow streets become next to impassable in the vicinity of the sky-scrapers at noon and in the evening. It is better to have lower buildings scattered over fifteen or twenty blocks than to have a few big buildings in half a dozen blocks. From an architectural standpoint I think that within the limit of 125 feet all the artistic beauty can be maintained and if we had ten or twelve blocks of buildings not over the limit it would be much more sightly than to have 200-foot buildings alongside of those of 100 feet."

Samuel Bowman said: "I coincide with the views of Prof. Ives, particularly as applied to Olive and other narrow streets. These big sky scrapers restrict both light and the comfort of pedestrians and the artistic appearance of the city. In Paris you will find long streets of buildings of the same height yet having a diversity of architecture. The effect is very beautiful. I do not say that the limit should be 125 feet but certainly twelve stories is high enough. I do not think the point that a limitation of height will depreciate the value of property is well taken. The limit will bring about the erection of more buildings extending over a greater area. Fifteen 10-story buildings are better for a city than five 18-story sky scrapers. I should say that 150 feet would be about the right limit of height."

Olive Street Property Sold.

Charles H. Bailey closed an important sale Wednesday of Olive street property—a vacant lot, 50x107 feet, on the north line of Olive street, beginning at a point 73 feet west of Twenty-first. The purchaser was Byron Nugent, the well-known dry goods merchant, who paid $25,000 cash as an investment. The seller was Charles W. G. Wells.

Realty Notes.

The Nicholls-Ritter Realty and Financial Co. sold another lot on the north side of Moffitt avenue, between Warne avenue and Sarah street, in Chouteau place, having a front of 25 feet by a depth of 142, for the Fair Grounds Real Estate Co. to Louis A. Bosbo for $30 per foot.

Charles K. Ramsey, the well-known architect, broke ground yesterday for six stores and flats on the southwest corner of Vandeventer and St. Louis avenues, in Chouteau place, these improvements to cost $30,000.

Russell A. Richardson sold lot No. 23, in block 9, of McRee place, having a frontage of 25 feet on the south side of Park avenue, from A. Bower to F. M. DeFoe, for the sum of $800.

Levi & Epstein report the sale of a lot measuring 25x125 feet on the north side of Easton avenue, 63 feet west of Hamilton avenue, from Ralph Loewenstein to D. E. Eagan, for $775. The purchaser was represented by Dyas & Co.

Real Estate Transfers.

ODELL AV.—North side, 41.8x150; lot 24, city block 4856; E. Burnet Nace and wife to Jos. H. Trembly—quitclaim..... $

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FLORENCE AV.—East side, 200x180, being lots 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, of city block 4822; Moritz Hieberger and wife to Linnie M. Clemens—warranty..... 2,125

CHELTENHAM AV.—South side, 25x151, lot 12, city block 5065; Jas. L. Hopkins and wife to Margaret R. Shields—quitclaim.. 500

PARNELL ST.—West side, 25x147.9, lot 5, city block 2396; H. C. Pollman and brothers to Herman H. Spilker—warranty..... 625

BLACKSTONE AV.—West line, 130.1x124.6, lots 8 and 9, city block 3817W; Jennie Hall to Thos. F. Masterson—warranty..... 2,650

M'ALPIN-ROCKEFELLER.

The Wedding Took Place at Rockwood Hall, Near Tarrytown.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Rockwood Hall, the handsome home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rockefeller, near this village, was the scene at noon to-day of the wedding of Miss Ema Rockefeller, their daughter, to Dr. D. Hunter McAlpin, Jr., of New York City. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Thomas Armitage, rector of St. Bartholomew's Church of New York City, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Harris.

The maid of honor was Miss Edith Rockefeller, sister of the bride. The best man was Mr. Charles McAlpin, brother of the groom, and the ushers were Messrs. James G. Gardiner, Wm. Sanderson Brown, Benjamin B. McAlpin, Dr. Wm. Crittenden Lusk, Alfred L. Dennis, F. Avery Rockefeller, O. G. Jennings and John D. Rockefeller, Jr. There were no bridemaids, but the little Misses Adelia and Sara Pyle, daughters of Mrs. J. Tolman Pyle, nieces of the groom, acted in the capacity of flower girls. The bride's dress was of white satin trimmed with Venetian lace, and she wore a Venetian lace veil, caught up with a diamond tiarra. She carried a bouquet of white rosebuds.

During the marriage ceremony, which was in the music room, the bridal couple stood under a canopy of bride roses, lilies of the valley, asparagus vines and ferns. The canopy was 12 feet high and 8 feet square, resting on a dais, forming a pulpit in front of a magnificent onyx mantel. The background was filled in with palms and ferns. The canopy was of Gothic design and contained 1,000 roses and 1,000 sprays of lilies of the valley. On either side of the room hung portierres of roses, buds, ferns and other flowers, with asparagus vines for ropes.

An elaborate musical programme was rendered by an orchestra and the choir of St. Bartholomew's Church. The guests arrived at Rockwood Hall from New York in two special trains. After an hour's reception in the music room, the bridal couple and guests adjourned to the breakfast-room, where a buffet breakfast was served. The room was decorated with lavender orchids and palms. There were about 500 guests present.

PROTESTANT MISSIONS.

Statistics of Foreign Fields Prepared by Rev. E. E. Strong.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 12.—E. E. Strong, D. D., editor of the Missionary Herald, of the American Board of Foreign Missions, has compiled a summary of statistics of Protestant missions. It appears there are 5,055 principal missionary stations, and 17,813 out stations occupied by thirty-seven evangelical missionary societies in United States, twenty-eight societies in Great Britain, six in Canada, seventeen in the Netherlands, nineteen in Germany, three in Denmark, two in Finland, six in Sweden, eight in Norway, three in Switzerland, two in France, nineteen in India and Ceylon, two in Burmah, four in China, thirty-eight in Australia, fourteen in Africa, one in Central America, and thirteen in the West Indies.

These Protestant foreign missionary societies have sent out 6,355 male missionaries, and 5,219 female missionaries, a total of 11,574. They are represented by 70,033 native laborers, 1,157,688 communicants, and have an income of $14,441,907.

The thirty-seven societies in the United States occupy 998 principal stations, 4,911 out-stations, have sent out 1,469 male and 2,043 female missionaries, a total of 3,512, and are represented by 14,766 native laborers and 397,252 communicants. The income of the societies is $5,006,809.

In addition to the above, there are many other organizations in Great Britain working for foreign missions, wholly or in part, the expenditures of which for this branch of Christian effort are estimated at: Twenty-six other societies, $618,000; four medical missions, $31,500; nine tract and Bible-societies, $768,682; five missions to the Jews, $235,500; British Roman Catholic missionary societies (about), $40,000; total, $1,711,682.

This makes the grand total income of British foreign missionary and kindred societies, $7,327,275.

POLICE WILL DRILL.

Chief Harrigan Orders an Hour's Daily Exercise for Blue Coats.

Chief of Police Harrigan has issued an order that all members of the force resume drilling next Monday. Sergeant Schwartz is the drillmaster and he will subject the men to an hour's drill each day in the drill room in the basement of the Four Courts.

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Knocked Down by a Runaway.

Patrick Dunn of 1213 North Sixteenth street was knocked down at Easton avenue and Whittier street by a runaway horse owned by George Hotzman of 4024 Greenlee Place. He sustained two bad scalp wounds.

Burial Permits.

H. S. Osterman, 45, Plainfield, N. J.; Bright's disease.

Lew Walter, 10 months, 3328 North Ninth; pneumonia.

Lucila Williams, 1, 5313 McKissock; convulsions.

Laura E. Bohn, 43, 14 O'Fallon; surgical.

Mary Hogan, 55, 822 Montrose; valvular insufficiency.

Agnes Maetten, 4, 2022 Franklin; diphtheria.

Charles Schmitt, 78, 1816 South Broadway; senile debility.

John Broodefield, 21, City Hospital; phthisis pulmonalis.

H. C. Clay, 46, City Hospital; nephritis.

J. J. Smith, 30, 2835 Tholosan; comilitis.

Thos. Dillon, 31, 2007 Eugenia; sarcoma.

Percie Smith, 11, 1213 Dillon; pulmonary tuberculosis.

W. C. Burg, 1 day, 2900 Henriette; pneumonia.

James Mathews, 7, 2330 Cardinal; nephritis.

Lee Woods, 11, 2217 Hebert; phthisis pulmonalis.

Charles Hillebrand, 30, 2822 McNair; phthisis pulmonalis.

John Havarek, 58, 1519 South Tenth; pneumonia.

Mary Milbas, 3, 2641 South Broadway; diphtheria.

Mary Lucas, 20, 1616 South Seventh; phthisis pulmonalis.

J. D. Mueller, 51, 2301 Sullivan; liver troubles.

Henry Miller, 23, 2833 South Ninth; phthisis pulmonalis.

Mary Searry, 18, 1124 Chambers; rheumatism of heart.

Fred Siebert, 15, 1127 South Eleventh; fracture of skull.

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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TANGLE.

Judge Stark Still Deems an Election Inadvisable.

FULL VOTE CAN'T BE POLLED.

If Held It Is Thought That Its Legality Will Be at Once Brought Into Question.

Judge Charles B. Stark, attorney of the School Board, when asked by a Post-Dispatch reporter Thursday morning if it were a fact that before he gave his opinion adverse to an election for directors at the regular time in November Hon. John W. Drabelle, author of the school election law, had told him that the Supreme Court had declared the act constitutional, said:

"I have no recollection of Drabelle saying a word to me on the subject. If he had given me the information he claims to have gratuitously imparted it would not have affected my conduct in the least. Every lawyer knows of the Supreme Court's decision to which Drabelle refers and nobody has questioned or now questions the constitutionality of the law. I never for a moment considered the law unconstitutional nor did I attempt in any way to attack its legality.

"All I did in that opinion that has caused the Post-Dispatch to criticise me so harshly and unjustly was to warn the Board against the complications caused by the new general election law and to advise them against proceeding with an election for directors when there is such a small registration of the qualified voters to deal with. I said in that opinion that I feared if an election were held under present conflicting conditions the election, if contested in the courts, would be declared illegal. That is all I said, and nobody of good judgment can construe that declaration as an attack on the school election law."

Judge Stark has not yet decided whether he will file a motion for a rehearing of the case by the Supreme Court. He intimates that he may be wholly governed in the matter by the wishes of the Board, though he hasn't given the subject much thought as yet, as he still has a week in which to make up his mind.

As stated by the Post-Dispatch yesterday, it is altogether probable that whatever may happen the election for directors will not be held before the first week of February, if then. There are possible contingencies which may postpone it till March, or later still. The School Board will not meet again until December 23, and not till that date will the members be officially informed of the Supreme Court's mandate, the execution of which may in the meantime be stayed by the filing of a motion for a rehearing. If this action is taken it of course means a total suspension of operations pending the argument of that motion and the court's deliberations on it which because of the crowded condition of the docket may consume many weeks.

But even if such dilatory tactics as a motion for a rehearing should not be resorted to the board could not get ready for an election under the most expeditious course in much less than two months from the time it agrees to obey the Supreme Court's mandates without further delay. The most captious critics of the board who are acquainted with the intricacies of the election process agree that fully five weeks will be required in which to make a copy of the registration as completed up to the 23d of last August, when the office of Recorder of Voters was merged into the Board of Election Commissioners.

On the subject of the legal adequacy of this registration the politicians are becoming greatly divided in opinion. Some of them still stoutly maintain with Attorney Stark, that it is so incomplete as to seriously impair the legality of those who are successful at the polls when the election under it is held. They declare the belief that the lists when closed on August 23 did not represent much more than 50 per cent of the voting strength of the city, which if true would operate to disfranchise fully one-half the qualified electors.

The other side contend that as not over 40 per cent of the qualified voters have ever voted in the precincts, the incomplete registration will serve all practical purposes. But then, say those who are dubious of the legality of this registration, what is to become of the voters who got their names on the list in August but who have moved into other precincts since then? It is conceded that the School Board has no power to make transfers, and if this is true it seems almost certain that harassing complications will arise from this source on election day, which are pretty sure to be carried into the courts for settlement, perhaps in the form of contests for the seats awarded the successful candidates. Under the statute enacted in '93, on the advice of Judge Stark, all such contests are to be tried in the Circuit Court.

The entire machinery of the election will be in the control of the School Board. In other words, for all practical purposes the School Board in all elections for its members takes the place of the Election Commissioners. That is, the board is to pay for the copy of registration, furnish its own poll-books, select its own judges and clerks, and pay them out of an appropriation made for that purpose, as well as paying all other incidental expenses, such as the rent of polling booths, etc.

The detail of the work will be in charge of the board's Election Committee, and as that is a special committee, it will yet have to be named by President Brockman. When the question of the validity of the election at the regular time last November arose several months ago, President Brockman appointed an election committee, of which Director J. B. Ulrich was chairman, to deal with it. In view of the fact that since that time the board has been reorganized it is of course reasonable to suppose that the President will consider it incumbent on him to name a new committee. The members of the old committee may be reappointed, but that does not alter the fact that a new committee—new in the sense that its duties will be of an essentially different character—must be named.

The method to be employed in the nomination of candidates is as yet undeveloped. Two years ago both parties held regular conventions and nominated tickets, and it may not be amiss in this connection to recall attention to the fact that in that election the Democrats were whipped out of their boots. At the meeting last night of the Republican City Central Committee it was tacitly agreed to call a nominating convention as soon as the board orders the election. If the Republicans hold a convention it is probable that the Democrats will follow suit, though it has been the fixed Democratic policy in the past to name the candidates of that party by petition. This year, however, both parties may desire to take advantage of the opportunity to test their strength and the effectiveness of their respective organizations preparatory to the general election coming on in the fall. Chairman Hugh Brady thinks he may call the Democratic Central Committee together at an early date to decide upon the advisability of holding a nominating convention.

Many Lives Lost.

Losses come to all of us at some time, whether the loss of life or money. Secure your family by keeping all valuables in the vaults of the Missouri Safe Deposit Co., Equitable Building, Sixth and Locust streets.

MINISTER'S SUDDEN CALL.

Elder Denton Ate a Hearty Dinner and Died Soon After.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

MOUNTAIN HOME, Ark., Dec. 12.—Elder Wm. Denton, a prominent Missionary Baptist minister, at one time Chaplain of the State Senate, died suddenly Tuesday at his home at Gamaville, eight miles west of here. He was at work about the place all the forenoon and ate a hearty dinner. Shortly after he became very ill and died in half an hour. The physician pronounced his ailment congestion of the stomach. He was buried yesterday with Masonic honors.

BLIXT ON HAYWARD.

He Is Satisfied That Harry Knew About the Olsen Murder.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 12.—A Stillwater (Minn.) special to the Journal says: "When Claus A. Blixt was told of the rumor that Harry Hayward had confessed to investigating the murder of Lena Olsen, a domestic, in Duluth, in the fall of 1894, he said: 'All I know about that is that Lena Olsen once lived at the Ozark Flats and that Harry was intimately acquainted with the person who is supposed to have gone with her to the place of her death. The man's dead body was afterwards found floating in the Mississippi at St. Paul. My impression was that it was Harry who killed the floater.

"'I know he expected and planned to kill me after I had done his bidding to that poor Ging girl. He came into my room no less than five times after I got back, but as I was in great pain from the drugged whisky he had given me, my wife was with me and he did not get the chance.'"

AND SO THEY WERE WED.

Justice Sheehan Suspected an Elopement, but Was Fooled.

There was a quiet little wedding party in Justice Patrick Sheehan's office, 803 Chestnue street, Wednesday afternoon. A fashionably attired young man, who looked to be barely 21, and a pretty, golden-haired miss of 18 appeared before the Magistrate and asked to be made one.

They had a marriage license. The young man introduced his companion as Miss Ollie Mass of Pevely, Mo., and himself as W. S. Siebert. But the Justice had some doubts about their ages. He asked their address and they said they had arranged for apartments at Huret's. Mrs. Martin, Miss Mass' sister, was also stopping there. She signed the marriage document and the ceremony was over.

The bride and groom were seated in the hotel parlor when a Post-Dispatch reporter called.

"No, no; this is no elopement," said the groom. We merely wanted a quiet wedding. I am employed at the Pittsburg Glass Works at Crystal City. We will go to Kansas City in a few days and then return home."

EDITOR SMITH INDICTED

For Saying a Federal Court Was Guilty of Corruption.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—W. Morton Smith, editor of a Lincoln paper, was yesterday indicted by the Federal Grandjury on the charge of attempting to impede justice. He was also fined and jailed by Judge Dundy for contempt of court, growing out of the same proceedings.

Smith charged editorially that the proceedings, by which Richard Outcalt was declared not guilty of wrecking the Capitol National Bank were irregular and the court guilty of corruption.

MOONSHINER KILLED.

He Shot at Revenue Agents and Was Riddled With Bullets.

JACKSON, Tenn., Dec. 12.—A party of revenue officers captured two illicit stills in Hardin County, yesterday, and killed Ed Thomas, a moonshiner.

The officers were in waiting at Thomas' still when he arrived, to go to work. They ordered him to surrender and he began shooting. He was then riddled with bullets. The dead man and his brother Gus, who is at large, were indicted last spring for murder.

BULL BEAR'S APPEAL.

He Wants the Cheyennes to Establish a Permanent Cemetery.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 12.—Left Hand Squaw, a Cheyenne Chief, died at Deer Creek, O. T., and was buried according to Christian rites, in compliance with his own request; Many whites were in attendance, and they construed the harangue of Oscar Bull Bear as an attack on Christian burial. Six-shooters were drawn on both sides, but bloodshed was averted when an interpreter explained that Oscar was appealing for the establishment of a cemetery. Then the white men apologized.

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Bimetallic League.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—M. Bourgeoise, President of the Council of Ministers, and M. Doumer, the Minister of Finance, received the delegates of the Bimetallic League of Great Britain, France and Germany to-day, whose conference opened here on Tuesday last under the presidency of M. Loubet, President of the French Bimetallic League. Later in the day the delegates were received by the President of the Republic, M. Faure.

The object of the conference is to draft a resolution regarding bimetallism, which will be submitted to the Parliaments of the three countries.

Civil Service Reform League.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—The National Civil Service Reform League began its annual meeting at the Cosmos Club today with an unusually large attendance of delegates. The morning session was private, but the afternoon session was open to those who desired to hear the papers and addresses on civil service reform topics. President Carl Schurz of the league will deliver the annual address to-night.

Mail-Train Robbers Caught.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 12.—Post-office Inspector Houk arrived yesterday afternoon with five men, charged with robbing the mail and express cars of a Frisco train fifty miles south of here Oct. 6. The men are Tom Harlin, alias Adams, Alfred Hugh and George Draper, and Flave Carver, alias Jeff Carver. Inspector Houk caught them separately by coming upon them suddenly with a posse in different places. In each instance they made no resistance.

Embezzling Postmaster Sentenced.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 12.—In the United States District Court here Robert E. Whitlock pleaded guilty to embezzling Government funds while acting as Postmaster of Woodhouse, Ill., and was fined $100 and costs, which was paid and further sentence suspended by Judge Allen.

Elopement of Shakers.

LEBANON, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Daniel Offord, a prominent member of the Shaker community, has eloped with Miss Franklin, also a Shaker, and it is believed they are now living in New York City.

Martin for Governor.

SALEM, Ill., Dec. 12.—A committee appointed by Marion County Republicans, who met at Odin, has conferred with Gen. J. S. Martin to urge that he be a candidate for Governor, and he has taken it under advisement.

Delphin Cobb's Divorce.

PERRY, O. T., Dec. 12.—Delphin McLeod Cobb, a rich manufacturer of Brooklyn, N. Y., has obtained a divorce here from his wife Phoebe, who, he says, abandoned him in 1882. He also says in his petition that she was a tattler.

Ballot-Box Stuffer Convicted.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 12.—H. A. C. Jeffries was convicted here of stuffing ballot boxes while a judge of election in Kansas City and was sentenced to three months in jail.

Railroad Man Crushed to Death.

ANNA, Ill., Dec. 12.—Ed Campbell, Mobile & Ohio fireman, fell off the tender of an engine at Mill Creek station yesterday morning and was crushed to death.

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Albums.

Handsome new designs in Leather, Plush and Celluloid.
Manufacturers' Samples
Friday at About Half Regular Prices

$1.50 Plush Photograph Albums ..... 79¢
$2.00 Plush Photograph Albums ..... 98¢
$3.50 Plush Photograph Albums $2.25
$2.50 Leather Photograph Albums $1.25
$2.75 Leather Photograph Albums $1.35
$3.50 Leather Photograph Albums $1.69
$1.25 Celluloid Photograph Albums ..... 59¢
$1.75 Celluloid Photograph Albums ..... 84¢
$3.00 Celluloid Photograph Albums $1.49
$4.00 Celluloid Photograph Albums $1.98
$5.00 Celluloid Photograph Albums $2.49
$9.00 Musical Photograph Album $4.25

Hand-Painted Celluloid Boxes
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Comb and Brush Sets in Celluloid Cases; worth $3.50..... $1.25
Celluloid Necktie Case, the design of a tie on top, inlaid with pearl; worth $2.85..... $1.69
Manicure Sets, in Celluloid Case, satin lined; worth $2.75..... $1.42
Toilet, Manicure and Jewel Case combined; worth $10.00 ..... $5.45
Musical Toilet, Manicure and Odor Case; worth $22.00..... $9.00
Combination Toilet, Manicure, Odor and Jewel Case; worth $35.00..... $18.15

Handkerchiefs.

Gents' Printed Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, real fine quality and fast colors, with narrow and wide hems, usually sold at 12½c; Friday at ..... 7½¢ Each
Ladies' White Embroidered and Scalloped Handkerchiefs, best ever shown, actual value 15c; Friday at ..... 10¢ Each
Children's Printed Initial Handkerchiefs, put up ½ doz in neat fancy box, being sold everywhere at 25c; Friday at..... 19¢ Per Box
Gents' Navy Blue and Black Silk Mufflers, in plaids and dots, regular 75c quality; ..... 50¢ Each
Gents' fine Silk Mufflers, in plaids and new Persian effects, blacks and colors, regular $1.25 styles; Friday at ..... 93¢ Each
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50 La Corona (Partidos)	4 00
25 Columbia Dome No. 10	3 00
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25 Columbia Dome No. 8	3 00
50 Iron Crown (Perfecto)	3 00
25 Columbia Dome (Invincibles)	3 00
50 Chancellor (Conchas)	3 00
50 Chancellor (Bismark)	3 75
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Fathers and mothers and grandmothers, too,
Have lately got into a terrible stew;
So much to be looked at, so much to be had,
So much that will make a recipient glad;
There are so many pretty things, useful and good,
From the wave of the loom to the carving in wood;
The time is so short, the interest so great,
That everyone fears to be awfully late!

Take a tip, if you will, from a far-seeing friend,
Your troubles, I'll warrant, will come to an end;
Whatever's your wish, whatever's your purse,
You go to McNichol, or else you'll do worse;
He has presents for grown folks, for little ones, too;
You'll know when you've seen his establishment through.
The marvelous, real, the splendid, the fine,
The best that is going—that's McNichol's line!

If it's gifts you look for, presents you seek,
McNichol will sell you for any one's week;
Every year he has promised the richer the better,
And keeps all his promises down to the letter.
There is nothing you long for to fit up a home
But Mac you will find has it under his dome.
Rugs, rockers and riches, for all who may comer
For little ones toys or trumpet or drum.

So, you see that old Santa is clever to stay,
Where goods are disposed of for small weekly pay;
No shadow at Christmas need hover at all
O'er many whom fortune has forgotten to call;
McNichol will aid you, a warm-hearted man;
He sells pretty things on the installment plan;
The Providence of many, the hope of us all;
Again, I say, look at his prices this fall.

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NOTICE of Final Settlement.—Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the partnership estate of Fricke & Bischoff, that I, the undersigned administrator of said estate, intend to make a final settlement thereof, at the next term of the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis, to be holden at the Court-house in said city on the first Monday of March next.

LOUIS BISCHOFF,
Administrator of the Partnership Estate of Fricke & Bischoff.
St. Louis, Dec. 12, 1895. 4909

ESTATE of Elizabeth Hohenschild, Deceased.—Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Elizabeth Hohenschild, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis on the 14th day of December inst.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they will be forever barred, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they will be forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1895.

LOUISE HOHENSCHILD,
Administratrix of Elizabeth Hohenschild, Deceased.
EASHEUR & BUDER, Attorneys. 4916

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.—Assignment of John B. Haggerty, Jr., et al. to me, Assignee. I, John B. Haggerty, hereby gives public notice that he will, on the 16th day of December, 1895, at the hour of 12 m., at the east front door of the Court-house in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, all the assigned assessors of said estate, a list of which can be had on application at his office, 806 Olive street.

FRANK H. RYAN,
Assignee of John B. Haggerty, Jr., et al.
St. Louis, Dec. 12, 1895. 4910

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Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., G. W. Jones, Business Manager of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, who deposes and says that the regular editions of the Sunday Post-Dispatch the seven previous Sundays, after deducting all spoiled and left-over copies, was as follows:

October 27	85,599
November 3	85,638
November 10	85,258
November 17	85,441
November 24	87,725
December 1	85,874
December 8	85,671
Total	601,206
Average for Seven Sundays	85,886

G. W. JONES, Business Manager.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 9th day of December, 1895.
(Seal.) HARRY M. DUHRING,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo.
My term expires Oct. 17, 1899.

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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

GRAND—Camille D'Arville.
OLYMPIC—Palmer Cox's Brownies.
HAVLIN'S—"The Land of the Living."
STANDARD—Boston Howard Athenaeum Co.

MATINEES TO-MORROW.
STANDARD—Boston Howard Athenaeum Co.

BLUNDERING LAW OFFICERS.

In one day Attorney Stark of the School Board was rebuked by an arbitration commission for claiming an illegal fee for lobby services and by the Supreme Court for advising the School Board to ignore as unconstitutional a law which is constitutional and of binding force.

The lesson of the Supreme Court's decision is peculiarly valuable and instructive to the municipal authorities and their official legal advisers. Its application is not special to the School Board, but general to all municipal officials and departments. That Attorney Stark advised the School Board to ignore a law which he knew had already been declared binding by two courts, emphasizes the lesson, because it shows the dangerous tendency of a law officer to make his advice fit the wishes of his official clients.

This decision of the State's highest tribunal means that it is not the proper business of a municipal law officer to usurp the function of the courts and advise municipal officials to ignore or violate laws directing their conduct. His function is to advise them of their powers and duties under the interpretation of the laws by the courts, and to defend in court the action of the authorities performed in accordance with the laws as they stand.

When a law officer sets himself up as a tribunal to determine the constitutionality of laws and the municipal authorities accept his advice as determinative without reference to the courts, both are liable to such blunders and rebukes as the School Board and its attorney have fallen into, and the people are in danger of suffering great loss and injustice through lack of the legal protection to which they are entitled.

THE "SHYLOCKS" KNOCKED OUT.

The Post-Dispatch accepts as a high compliment the charge of the "Shylocks" that the injury to the business of usurious money-lending which culminated in Judge Bond's "innocent purchaser" decision was due to the agitation of the subject by the Post-Dispatch, despite the fact that the "Shylocks" pay large sums for advertising in this paper.

It would be an impossible task for the Post-Dispatch to guarantee that every business advertised in its columns is legitimate. It neither guarantees the honesty of all its advertisers nor guarantees protection to any of its advertisers who are guilty of dishonesty. The fact that an advertisement is inserted in the Post-Dispatch does not prevent this paper from exposing any violation of law or any wrong-doing of which the advertiser is guilty. The Post-Dispatch holds strictly to the principle that its first duty is to the public.

The Post-Dispatch has never failed to expose every discovered act of fraud and oppression, and every violation or evasion of law by the "Shylocks," as a matter of public duty. The business of this class of money-lenders is conducted contrary to law in many instances. Their victims are the poor and unfortunate who are unable to defend themselves, and the Post-Dispatch has made it one of its special missions as a newspaper to do all in its power to protect unfortunates by exposing their villainy and demanding the enforcement of the law.

The decision of Judge Bond, knocking out the "innocent purchaser" trick, and the supplementary decision of Judge Valliant, affirmed by the Court of Appeals, restricting their charges to legal interest, will do much to afford protection to unfortunate borrowers. It is to be hoped that a way will be found to entirely destroy usury and to place the business of the money-lenders on a fair and honest basis.

For the sixth time in seven weeks the Post-Dispatch is compelled to issue a sixteen-page Thursday paper in order to accommodate the advertisements with which the discriminating advertisers of the city crowd its columns. To-day's Post-Dispatch is the best possible shoppers' guide in the purchase of holiday presents.

FOOLISHNESS IN THE EAST.

It is unfortunate that in paying a just tribute to the enterprise of St. Louis in obtaining the Republican National Convention and to its availability as a convention city, the New York World should go out of its way to affront Missouri Democrats. The grace of the tribute is neutralized by the sting of the insult.

It is but a few months since the World, echoing Mr. Whitney's utterances on his return from Europe, was denouncing the single gold standard and earnestly advocating the restoration of silver to its place in our coinage system through international agreement. An outburst of wrath by New York's monetary interests soon brought Mr. Whitney to his knees, and he began explaining away the interview which no doubt expressed the honest convictions he had formed after studying the European situation. The World broke for cover along with Whitney, and now it reels off the Wall street jargon almost as glibly as the New York Evening Post.

It speaks of the Democratic party of Missouri as a "faction," and of the Democratic demand for bimetallism as "the free silver folly." It makes the prediction that unless this "folly" is discarded "the Republicans will pretty surely carry that State (Missouri) in the national election, as they carried Kentucky in the recent State election"—which means that in Missouri as in Kentucky the Administration men will bolt the party and defeat it if they cannot rule it.

The World also refers to the demand for free silver coinage as "the dying craze," in spite of the fact that in the issue in which it published this editorial it also published the resolution unqualifiedly demanding the free coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1 adopted by the American Federation of Labor, now in session in New York City. The American Federation of Labor speaks the sentiments of the plain American people, East and West, North and South. The World expresses the sentiments of the Eastern moneyed interests which the Administration is trying to thrust down the throat of the Democratic party.

The Democratic party will not submit to the operation, even if it be true, as the World says, that unless it submits the seventeen electoral votes of Missouri will most likely be cast for the Republican candidate. Democrats prefer the election of an avowed Republican candidate, on a Republican platform, to the election of a pretended Democrat on practically the same platform.

BAYARD'S HUMILIATION.

Ambassador Bayard has excellent reason to hide himself in the seclusion of his London residence while the storm of criticism which has broken out over his Edinburgh speech is raging.

It is not because his utterances are being viciously attacked by the Republicans in Congress. That was to be expected. It is not because Democratic papers are speaking disrespectfully of his conduct as representative of the United States at the Court of St. James. Mr. Bayard has by this time, doubtless, became used to kicks from the unterrified Democracy.

The cause of Mr. Bayard's painful humiliation lies closer to his heart than that. The British press has deserted him in his hour of need. Despite the fact that he has fawned upon the British press and people, has slobbered over the British aristocracy and has exhausted his ingenuity to find after-dinner eulogies for all things British; despite the fact that the very remarks derogatory to the American people for which he is being censured at home were intended as a delicate intimation of the superior wisdom, purity and self-restraint of John Bull, the British press brands him as an indiscreet diplomat.

Mr. Bayard has been kicked by the boot he has licked. He has learned to his sorrow that the way to gain John Bull's respect is not to fawn on him, but to hit him with a club.

LOOT FOR FRANCHISE GRABBERS.

The street car managers who attended the meeting in this city of the National Association's Executive Committee indignantly rejected the suggestion of a reduction in fares to 3 cents as ruinous to street car companies. They declared that it cost more than 4 cents on the average to haul passengers in St. Louis.

The city of Glasgow, Scotland, owns its entire street car system. When it assumed the ownership of the system it reduced fares, shortened the hours of labor and provided uniforms for its employes. The total possible number of trips is 263. For more than one-third of this total the fare is only 1 cent, for one-fifth of the total the fare is 2 cents, and the highest fare charged is 4 cents, and that for only eleven trips. Yet the system earned within eleven months a net profit above all expenses of $120,000 for the city.

If, therefore, American street railways, with their improved methods and enormous patronage, cannot carry passengers without loss for less than 4 cents there must be a reason for it not existing in Glasgow or in any European city, where the earnings are restricted to a fair return on actual capital invested and heavy taxes are levied on the franchises by the municipalities.

Light is thrown on the reason by the statistics of street car cost and capitalization in New York City, recently gathered and published by the New York World. The total capitalization of the New York street car lines is $61,561,000. The highest possible estimate of their cost is $28,467,540, leaving a margin of water in the capitalization of $33,093,440.

It is doubtful if there is a city above the fourth class in the United States where the proportion of water in street car capitalization is less than in New York. In many it is probably greater.

It is easy to understand, therefore, why the street car managers cry "ruin" when it is suggested that fares be reduced. The lines must earn dividends on from two to four times the amount of capital actually invested. At least a third of the five-cent fare is loot for the franchise-grabbers.

It is charged that of the $100,000 subscribed in Chicago for the Republican campaign fund of 1892 only $5,000 was paid, that sum coming from Duke Pullman. All Chicago Republicans, however, are not in the upper-berth business.

The McKinley men "moved heaven and earth" to keep the convention away from St. Louis, but Mr. McKinley professes to be satisfied. It is to be regretted that Mr. McKinley and his representatives should get so far apart.

Uncle Filley would build an addition to the mosque and Mayor Walbridge would put cots in the new City Hall if the necessities of the convention were to demand it, but there will be plenty of room for everybody.

The Post-Dispatch, recognized as the great home paper of St. Louis with a circulation of especial value to advertisers, is not affected by what esteemed contemporaries say or do. Its well-earned prosperity is abiding.

Sky-scrapers are buildings which we ought not to have but which we do not feel like doing without. They impress visitors and make a city look great. It is a pity that they shut off so much air and sunlight.

Money, watches, diamonds and even prayer-books were nipped in the inauguration crowd in Kentucky. It is supposed that the Democratic spectators took their prayer-books with them.

The Republican disposition to tinker with the tariff and unsettle values is very strong, and the wisdom of Thomas Reed's conservative policy is very much doubted in the party.

Mr. McKinley would have hired every room in St. Louis if by so doing he could have demolished that hesitating and demoralized conservative, Thomas B. Reed.

"From no point of view is the selection a mistake," writes Moses P. Handy of the choice of St. Louis by the Republican National Committee.

With Massachusetts towns going Democratic, the scramblers for the Republican Presidential nomination may well pause and reflect.

Congressman Blue will raise the spirits of Kansans considerably if he can get through his bill to pay the Quantrell raid claims.

Instead of going off to fight ducks, the President should have come on to St. Louis to open the poultry show.

The elopement of a New York man who has been a Shaker forty years gives the celibacy scheme a great shake.

Whatever may be thought of John Sherman as a financier, there can be no doubt that he is an able advertiser.

There is one pharmacist in Congress, but he will not be able to fill all the prescriptions for the national ills.

If Reformer Cronin will hold his empty building until the big convention meets he may save himself.

Both parties are entitled to the advantage of holding their conventions in St. Louis.

The Post-Dispatch sales in convention week will be simply enormous.

The river will run merrily when the bridge pool is swept away.

When Senator Hill marries he will know more about lecturing.

Gorman will not retire at the end of his term—voluntarily.

It was McKinley's dream to gobble all the bedrooms.

Jew-Baiter Ahlwardt.

Altogether, the Hebrews in this country have nothing to fear from the crusade of this new agitator. His mission will bear no fruit, and most likely will be, as it should be, a complete failure.—Cincinnati Tribune.

Ahlwardt would better take the next steamer home. There is no room here for creatures like him. If he should succeed in firing a hall, no American should disgrace himself by taking a seat in it.—New York Recorder.

Let him go back a wiser and a poorer man. We detest his doctrines and should not allow him to make money out of our national curiosity. Give him empty benches and the cold shoulder. There is no concord between the spirit of liberty and Jew-baiting.—Chicago Post.

America will defend her Hebrew citizens against the aspersions of the adventurous Teutonic demagogue, whose role of riot-preacher has always brought him frequently under the law. If he has any wisdom left he will go straight home in the very next steamship.—New York Journal.

If ever a lecturer deserved to be frozen out by a chilly reception and an absence of box receipts it is the lecturer who, in this land of liberty and equality, seeks to excite animosity against any of the varied nationalities or races that make up our heterogeneous population.—Washington Post.

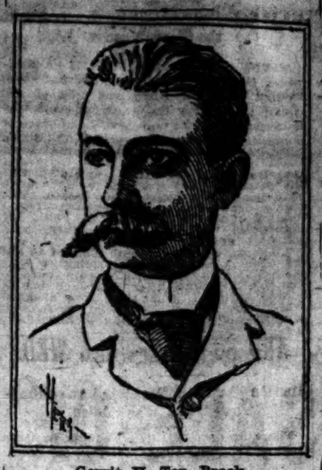
Coming with such a purpose, Herr Ahlwardt is certainly not a welcome visitor, but before he leaves us he will doubtless have learned a great deal to his advantage. He will learn that there is no room in this country for fanatics who come with the avowed purpose of pitting class against class, race against race and religion against religion.—New York Herald.

The most that Ahlwardt can hope to accomplish is to stir up a few local riots against the Hebrews. His highest triumph will be attained if he can excite a crowd to the point of rending a Hebrew's garments or of smashing a Hebrew's window. If he attains even that moderate success he will be in danger of being locked up and served extremely right.—New York Times.

Especially Before Christmas.

The prudent housewife knows whereon to catch.
She reads with care her daily Post-Dispatch

WELL-KNOWN ST. LOUISAN.



Gerrit H. Ten Broek.

Gerrit H. Ten Broek was born in St. Louis and received his education in the public schools. As his name indicates he is of Dutch origin. In 1880 he established the Ten Broek agency. Meanwhile he took a course at the St. Louis Law School and was admitted to practice in 1886. He devoted himself entirely to the commercial branch of the law and in connection with his agency established the "Associated Law Offices." He also founded and now edits The Mercantile Adjuster. Mr. Ten Broek was married in 1893 to Miss Frances Colby of this city.

MEN OF MARK.

Rockefeller's income is $27,000 daily.

The German Emperor has had three zebras broken in for carriage use.

Mr. Herbert Spencer, the philosopher, was trained as a boy to become a civil engineer. Later in life he was connected with a provincial paper as a reporter.

Col. John Winder, for two generations clerk of the United States District Court in Detroit, was 91 years old Sunday. The Colonel has not had a sick day for years.

Mooljraj S. Bhagwanani, son of the late Prime Minister of Khairpur, Sindh, India, has been admitted to the bar in London. He is the first native from the State of Khairpur to qualify for practice in English law.

The Viscount Robert Tortera de Lafare announces in Paris that he will soon begin the publication of a newspaper to which a number of spirits will contribute. Among the contributors he mentions Dante, Spinoza, Auguste Comte, Hypatia, Marcus Aurelius and St. Cecilia.

Dr. Saunders, an eminent specialist, and a member of the Health Board of London, is a great believer in the value of the electric light. He claims that electricity is a great moral power; that it protects humanity better than the philanthropist, and by purifying the workshops and the factories the sanitary laws are carried out with much less friction.

WOMEN OF NOTE.

Princess Marie of Orleans, wife of Prince Waldemar of Denmark, likes to go to fires, and is often seen distributing refreshments and money among the members of the fire department.

Miss Cora Dow of Cincinnati is a druggist who has been so successful in her business that she has been able to start two branch stores in which she employs both women and men as clerks.

Miss Cushman of Boston, actuary of the Massachusetts Insurance Department, has been admitted to membership in the Actuarial Society of America. She is recognized as excelling in her conduct of such business.

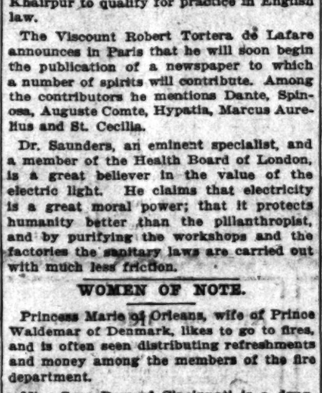
Kate Field writes from Utah that she witnessed there a feminine political parade. Women on bicycles, women on horseback, women in vehicles of all kinds. After the parade there were the usual political speeches.

Charles Kingsley's niece, who has been exploring the west coast of Africa, has reached the Cross River in safety after having ascended to the top of the Cameroons Mountain, which is 13,000 feet. She is the first woman to accomplish the feat.

Practice Made Perfect.

From the Fliegende Blaetter.

"It was a bad fall. How is it that you are not hurt?"



"My dear friend, that is the result of practice."

LIFE'S FUNNY SIDE.

Clara: "Lord Dedbroke is on his way over." Maude: "I suppose you will be glad when he is safely landed."—Town Topics.

She: "I think I will do the cooking myself awhile." He: "H'm! That was what you wanted me to take out more life insurance for, was it?"

Bobby: "Papa, Jack Mason said his father gave him 50 cents, and"— Papa: "Well?" Bobby: "I'd like to say the same of you."—Harper's Bazar.

Mrs. De Fadd: "The latest fashion is to have the piano built into the wall." Mr. De Fadd (wearily): "Well, that's sensible. Let's wall up ours."—New York Weekly.

Theory.—Tommy: "Paw, why is it the good die young?" Mr. Figg: "They don't die young because they are good, but they stay good because they die young."—Indianapolis Journal.

Johnny: "Did they hurt you much at the lodge Saturday night, papa?" Papa: "No, Johnny; why do you ask?" Johnny: "'Cause I heard Mr. Johnson say you were about half-shot."—Truth.

St. Louis Wins the Prize.

From the Chicago Record.

St. Louis deserves congratulations and good wishes for her success in the competition for the Republican national convention. She went forth to get the convention with more earnestness and enterprise than her foremost rivals displayed, the lack of an enthusiastic and concerted effort being especially noticeable in the case of Chicago, which has at no time felt that the convention was indispensable to its interests. St. Louis exerted herself with creditable enterprise and the result of her efforts is that she has won the prize fairly and squarely over all competitors. In the elegant parlance of ward political circles, the other cities were "not in it."

No one familiar with the conditions in St. Louis will doubt that the city is amply fitted to take care of a great national convention. In location and in accessibility from all parts of the country it is second only to Chicago. It is easily in touch with the great of the country, and the delegates will not feel that they are cut off from the centers of political interest as they would have felt had the convention been located at San Francisco, or even at Pittsburg. In the matter of hotel and other accomodations, also, St. Louis is amply equipped, and should be able to handle the great crowds with distinct credit. Heretofore, conventions held in the Missouri metropolis have been conducted very smoothly so far as regards the welfare and personal comfort of the delegates, and there is no reason to think that the city will not do equally well next year.

It seems likely that the Republican managers who have picked out St. Louis as the site for their convention will find their choice a matter of mutual advantage.

A Triumph for Missouri.

From the Kansas City Star.

On all grounds the choice of St. Louis was a good one. In the matter of accessibility from all points St. Louis possesses many of the same advantages which distinguish Kansas City's position, and St. Louis is strong where Kansas City is alone weak—viz., in the possession of a suitable hall or halls in which to hold a great National convention.

To return to St. Louis—that city has always shown a capacity for entertaining great crowds, and at present is better prepared than ever before. Within a few years there has been a great addition to the first-class hotel capacity of the city. The most notable advance in St. Louis of late has been in hotel and depot accommodations. In the first it stands with the first and in the second contends for absolutely the leading position. There is no doubt but the crowd can get into and out of St. Louis with comfort and be made comfortable while remaining there. • • •

The victory of St. Louis is one that every Missourian, whatever his politics, should rejoice over, because it is a victory for Missouri, for the whole State, for old Missouri, and new Missouri and all Missouri. It is a recognition of the fifth State in the Union in the matter of population and the first in a great many important directions; it is an honor paid where an honor is due.

Good for St. Louis.

From the Chicago Times-Herald.

The Times-Herald congratulates the people of St. Louis on their good fortune in securing the Republican National convention for their city. They deserved it, for they fought hard and honorably. Moreover, with Chicago out of the way, St. Louis is by far the best convention town in America. It is centrally situated, not too far south and easily approached from all parts of America. The telegraph facilities and hotel accommodations are ample, and, although St. Louis betrays a more than genial warmth toward its midsummer visitors, the delegates are not likely to suffer more than they would elsewhere.

In some respects the decision of the committee was a good strategic move. The growth of the Republican party in the south and southwest has been striking and must be taken into account by political leaders in all future campaigns. Missouri is, to say the least, a doubtful state on the presidency, and the assembling of the convention in St. Louis will give new encouragement to the party within its borders.

Chicago entertains no jealousy or envy in this matter. No two cities are more closely bound by many ties than these one-time rivals. Good luck to the big town on the Mississippi. We have no doubt it will receive its honors decorously and bear them as becomes its position among American cities.

The Democratic Convention, Too.

From the New York World.

It is in order now for the Democrats to consider seriously whether it would not be wise policy for them to meet and counteract this shrewd move of the Republicans by calling their National Convention also in the Southwestern metropolis. New York has undoubted advantages, but it lacks the central location, and it seems not to be in favor with politicians in other parts of the Union. If not New York, why not St. Louis?

The Acoustics All Right.

From the Kansas City Star.

The acoustics of the St. Louis Exposition building, in which the Republican National Convention is to be held, were tested last week by Wagnerian opera, and this week by a chicken show, and have been found satisfactory to a degree which insures the substantial character of the walls and their facility for reflecting sound.

What Does Sherman Say?

From the Kansas City Star.

In addition to twenty rooms at the Southern Hotel in St. Louis, Gov. McKinley has engaged twenty at the St. Nicholas and thirty at the Planters'. Is this what John Sherman would call buying votes?

Chicago and New York.

From the Kansas City Star.

The fight was really between St. Louis and San Francisco. Chicago wasn't in it from the start, but it will still have a chance to "josh" New York, which averaged one-fifth of one vote on each ballot.

Deserved It.

From the Kansas City Times.

St. Louis deserved to get the Republican convention. Her beer is as good as any in the country, and then besides, St. Louis is the best city in Missouri, save one.

Not This Time.

From the Kansas City Journal.

Chicago: "I will." St. Louis: "Not this time, old girl."

The King and the Beggar.

A beggar asked for alms beside the palace gate.
The king passed by and left him poor and desolate.
But on the morn he was a king beyond the skies,
The king a beggar at the gates of Paradise.
CLARENCE HAWKES.

An Attractive Hat.

This hat made of black felt is attractive, with four outspreading bows over

the crown, together with green wings, these all being buttoned into the center with green and diamond ornaments.

German Embroidery.

Up among the mountains of the Tyrol as winter sets in every member of the family, from the gray-haired grandfather to the wee flaxen-haired maiden of but two or three summers, turns their attention to embroidery. From Munich have come packages of stamped linens, the needlework to be done during the long, cold months, when out-door labor is prohibited. In the spring the dealers in Munich have a glorious supply, and when the American buyers cross the ocean in search of artistic novelties they are shown runners, tea cloths, luncheon sets and bed spreads that have blossomed forth into floral loveliness through the deft manipulation of silk threads by these patient peasants, who dream, perhaps, with each stitch of the foreign lands to which their work will go.

Home-Made Cheese.

One and one-half tinfuls of new, sweet milk, one tinful of sour, thick milk, five eggs well beaten together (not to a froth). Put on the sweet milk in a porcelain kettle, taking care not to scorch, and let it get hot, not quite boiling. Have the eggs beaten and thoroughly mixed in the thick milk and then add to the sweet milk. Stir gently until it rises to the top and then strain in a muslin cloth. When cold and firm remove from cloth and cut in thin slices to be eaten for tea with good bread, butter and syrup to be fully palatable.

House-Plant Lore.

Keep them in the sun.
Keep them as far from gas and furnace heat as possible.
Keep them wet, warm and clean.
Keep soap out of the water.
Keep a soft brush or carpet-rag to wash them.
Keep the soil loose.
Never pull off a leaf; the plant may bleed to death.
Clip the withered tips of palms.

Evening Waists.

Odd evening waists to wear with satin or brocade skirts are always in demand. What the modiste calls a simple little waist for this season's bud is a baby affair of white chiffon and fine lace over faint pink silk. It is cut square and rather low in the neck, and is outlined with a narrow band of sable, which falls in three tails over the blouse corsage. The sleeves are voluminous puffs of the chiffon, with its lace insertion. They reach nearly to the elbow, and are made over a foundation of pink silk. Tabs of pink velvet shirred and then edged with lace to fall over the top of each sleeve in epaulette fashion. The shirred velvet is also used to form a rather narrow waist band.

A Female Diver.

Gravesend, England, boasts a woman diver. She first went down instead of her husband, who was ill, some years ago, and this she did with such success and intrepidity that she afterwards fulfilled many engagements jointly with him, assisting largely in the construction of a pier at a south coast watering place. She is not a woman of great height, but of considerable physique, and is not yet 40. She has made as much as $7,000 in one day, and has chiefly worked near the mouth of the Thames. She confesses to no unusual fatigue, and one of her boasts is that near the Medway she brought up $7,000 in one day.

Pearl Combs Coming In.

If she happens to be a dark-haired young person, she should wear a pearl comb in her dusky locks. This is the latest edict from the fashionable hairdresser. The pearl combs are high and broad in effect, and have silver teeth. Large seed pearls are used, set in out silver, which produces an exquisite shimmering effect. The long side combs and pompadour combs now so much in fashion are also seen set with pearls.

To Brighten Mirrors.

Mirrors which have grown dim may be brightened by being rubbed with a polish made by pounding to a fine powder a small quantity of calcined magnesia, and adding to it gradually enough benzine to convert it into a rather liquid paste. This must be carefully preserved in a well-corked bottle; when wanted for use a few drops are poured on to a pad of cotton wool and the mirrors rubbed with it. All kinds of glass goods, including window panes, may be cleaned in this way.

Cabbage Salad.

One cabbage, one egg, one tablespoonful salad oil, two tablespoonfuls cream, two of vinegar, a saltspoonful mustard, pepper and salt, two tomatoes, four pickled onions; boil the heart in salted water till tender, but not too soft, then drain well and stand in a cool place; mix the yolk of the egg with the salad oil, cream, vinegar, mustard, pepper and salt, stir well together, chop the cabbage fine, pour the mixture over and garnish with slices of tomatoes and pickled onions.

After the Bike Hoop-Trundling.

It appears from London Truth that trundling a hoop and spinning a top are altogether better forms of exercise than are either skating or bicycling. The first strengthens the spinator longus, the triceps and the latissimus dorsi, while the latter gives play to the deltoid and the extensor carpi radialis longior. That being the case, no reasonable objection can be raised to our women running along the streets trundling their hoops or spinning tops in the park.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(The Post-Dispatch does not hold itself responsible for any opinions or statement of facts in these letters. It is a free parliament.)

Now for the Street Names.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Now that St. Louis has secured the Republican National Convention, why would it not be a good idea for the city authorities to take prompt steps to name or number all the street corners within the city limits? Strangers experience much difficulty in locating streets and this subject seems to demand immediate attention. It would also be a good plan for the various street car companies to print small guides or cards giving the names of the streets traversed and crossed by their lines. Many influential visitors will be here in June and jealous rival cities will not hesitate to point out such municipal defects. MASCOTTE.
St. Louis, Dec. 11.

Patrick Henry's Nationality.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Mr. Soldan disposes of Patrick Henry's nascestry by quoting the Century Dictionary and Lippincott, but what Scotch or Irishman cares "tuppence" for Lippincott on a question of clans? The American dictionaries do not even give the correct pronunciation of the common Gaelic word "loch." How, then, can a man familiar with the Gaelic language, literature and history accept them as authorities?

The Scotch are the greatest sticklers in the world for tribal relations, and promptly corral a man of Scottish name wherever he is found. They have even gobbled up Saint Patrick, but haven't yet decided whether he was a Highland chief or a lowland laird. The clansman is known by his name. English, Irish, American, Australian—his name is the sign and seal that binds him to his clan.

The name, Scotch-Irish, is proof of it. The descendants of the Dublin and Waterford Danes, the Leinster English and the German Palatine are Irish; but the descendants of the Scotch who emigrated to Ulster in the reign of James the First are still Scotch.

It is a poor rule that will not apply to both sides of the North Channel. If three hundred years on Irish soil and the blood of Irish mothers will not make an Irishman of a Campbell, a Crawford or a McDougall, neither will Aberdeen and a Robertson make a Scotchman of a McHenry. By all the laws of clanship, he belongs to the McHenrys of Tyrone and Cavan. See Mackay's History of the Scotch and Irish Clans. JAMES E. HENRY.
St. Louis, Dec. 10.

Gold Tickled, Silver Tomahawked.

To the Editor of The Post-Dispatch.

Your "East Against West" is a powerful array of facts which should be in the hands of every voter, not only of Missouri, but of every other State. No matter what individual opinions we may hold in regard to the money question one thing is certain, and that is that what is sauce for the gold goose is and ought to be sauce for the silver gander.

As long as the precious metals are used as money there is no valid reason why the gold mine owners should be tickled and the silver mine owners tomahawked. Equal rights for all and special privileges to none should be the shibboleth, and the sooner the money question is settled the better for all. UNCLE TOM.
St. Louis, Dec. 2.

Cleveland's "Standard" Silver Dollars.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

The President in his message to Congress says he "does not overlook the fact that the cancellation of the Treasury notes issued under the silver purchasing act of 1890 would leave the Treasury in the actual ownership of sufficient silver, including seigniorage, to coin nearly $178,000,000 standard dollars."

"It is worthy of consideration," he says further, "whether this might not from time to time be converted into dollars or fractional coin, and slowly put into circulation as, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Treasury, the necessities of the country should require."

Mirabile dictu! The President smitten with the "silver craze." Favoring the coinage of "50 cent dollars."

Why, Mr. President, the people have taken this matter into consideration and decided long ago that not only the silver in the Treasury should be coined into standard dollars, but that the necessities of the country required that the mints should be open for the free coinage of all silver brought to them, and that these dollars should be put into circulation, and lars should be put into circulation, and slowly, as the judgment of the Secretary of the Treasury may happen to dictate, but rapidly, as the law allows.

It seems to me that in this short paragraph the whole argument for gold monometallism is thrown to the winds. The President admits that silver dollars of their present weight and fineness are standard dollars. What better dollars do we want? If the coinage of 178,000,000 of them would be a good thing then the coinage of twice or thrice that number might be a better thing.

Everybody knows that plenty of money in circulation makes "good times," and scarcity of money makes "hard times." Let us be thankful that the President is slowly coming to see what the necessities of the country require. A. M. SWAIN.
Odin, Ill., Dec. 10.

Vestibules for Street Cars.

To the Editor of The Post-Dispatch.

The Post-Dispatch has successfully waged a war for the protection of the people in the compulsory adoption of the car-fender, and I can see no reason why the street-car vestibule problem cannot be disposed of in the same way.

When we have nice warm weather it is difficult to realize the miserable torture the poor motormen have to undergo in the cold snow and rain of a severe winter, but when you have to face a cold, driving rain from the shop to the car and get off an hour later in a driving blizzard of snow, you are not a very selfish person if you will naturally think of the poor fellows who have to remain in the storm until past midnight.

This is the time when an appeal from the motorman for shelter makes us think of what we would do if we had direct legislation. Imagine a man going out in a driving rain, getting damp through and having to stand in a cold west wind for hours at a time on a car going at a rapid rate of speed. The wind striking the door and curling around comes up under his clothes, which are already damp. He is not in the position of a teamster who can get off and walk or go in somewhere and warm up if he wants to.

If the Post-Dispatch will take up this matter and put it before the people it will have the heartfelt thanks of thousands of suffering human beings and rise a step higher in the estimation of the people which it has already so well merited. Should our legislators meet in St. Louis invite them to take a ride on the front platform of our street cars. AN EX-CONDUCTOR.
St. Louis, Dec. 11.

Ingersoll a Man of Brains.

To the Editor of The Post-Dispatch.

It seems strange that the editor of a St. Louis paper should give utterance to a sentence like this: Missouri does not support a State university for the encouragement of men like Robert G. Ingersoll.

That is equivalent to saying that the State University does not encourage—brains—and that the Republic, which makes the statements, is in co-operation with the University. It may be true that, as the Republic says, a well-bred man never offends the earnest convictions of honest people—but I am sure that a true possessed of brains, nobility of character and moral courage, will always attack that which is wrong and false, no matter who it offends. "How to the line, let the chips fall where they may!"

I do not believe that the law students of the State University invited Col. Ingersoll so much on account of his reputation as a "speaker," but rather on account of the acknowledged fact that he is a man of brains! And in view of the fact that Prof. Woodward says: "They have altogether too many thinkers in the class," and that the St. Louis Republic rebukes the late Ingersoll are Prof. Woodward and the editor of the St. Louis Republic! The law students are all right. LEOPOLD FLOR.
Huntington, Ark., Dec. 7.

Admire the Belles.

From the Corder (Mo.) Gazette.

The society belles of Farmington, Mo., are conspicuously represented in the Post-Dispatch of Sunday, Dec. 1, on page 24. This Sunday Post-Dispatch ought to be a popular paper with the young bachelors and widowers of Missouri. The young ladies of Farmington if truthfully represented by the photographer are fairly entitled to be called beautiful. The Gazette forgs are great admirers of the ladies, and especially commends the enterprising Post-Dispatch for its noble and unselfish efforts to do the greatest good to the greatest number. Turn to Democratic add correct. Presents.

Glove Boxes Free.

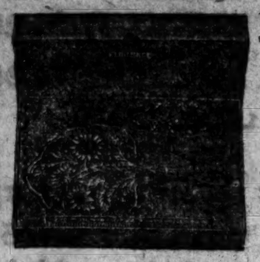
Buy 2 pairs at our dollar or higher grade Kid Gloves this week and get an Elegant Ebony and Gold Box Free.

If you want the greatest Kid Glove value in the world, buy a pair of these:

Our "Leader" at..... $1 00
Our "Premier" at..... 1 25
Our "Freda" at..... 1 50
Our "Trouville" at..... 1 75

At Our Prices there is a Clear Saving of from 25c to 75c on every pair. Every pair guaranteed and fitted.

Here's a Bargain!



$1.48 Friday buys a Ladies' Florence Toilet Set, like cut and similar designs, containing pure Bristle Hair Brush, Comb and French Beveled Plate Mirror, dark and light backs and decorations, put up in a neat box, worth $1.75 to $2.75 per set.

Fancy Boxes of all sorts—lower priced and higher—than above.

Albums.

Celluloid front, fancy ones with word "Album" beautifully wrought on front, worth $1.25, Friday only 69c

Xmas Cards and Booklets,

All sorts and descriptions, from ..... 1c to $2.50

Correspondence Paper.

A Handsome Box of 24 sheets of Paper and 24 Envelopes to match; should be 50c, our price only 25c

Fancy Box Stationery, also Tinted Paper and Envelopes, 24 of each, Friday 10c

White India Linens.

Mill Ends of very finest quality 34-inch wide, imported, would cost 25c a yard off the piece, at..... 10c

Jewelry.

Good Jewelry Cheap—that's what you get at the "Grand-Leader."

19c Friday for Child's Solid Gold Set Rings, like cut and similar, assorted stones, usual price 49c.

Ladies' Solid Gold Fancy Chased Set Rings, emeralds, rubies and pearls, 1, 2 and 3 stone settings, would be a bargain at $1.25, Friday 69c

STIX BAER & FULLER —GRAND-LEADER—

Dress Patterns.

Those women out of ten would rather have one of these handsome patterns (at the price) than anything else for Xmas.

All Pure Wool Satin Berber Jacquards—40 inches wide—in all leading colors—competitors ask 50c a yard for the same thing, Friday per yard 33c

Black, all pure wool, 40-inch Fancy Suitings in Granite and Armure grounds—will beat anything in town in the way of a Black Dress Pattern for double the price, Friday per yard 40c

All Pure Wool 44-inch Novelty Suitings—in a grand new line of plain and rough effects in newest color combinations out—a magnificent gift for any one—worth 75c a yard, Friday at..... 48c

Slaughter of Feather Boas.

A choice lot of Fancy Coque Feather Boas—fancy curled—1¼ yards long—worth up to $1.75 each, Friday at..... 98c

Fancy Work Accessories.

Second Floor.

Choice of all our A No. 1 quality 72-inch Drapery Felt, all colors, rarely sold under $1.25 a yard, at..... 85c

Choice of 50 pieces Embroidered Felt and Plush (for fancy lambrequins), worth up to $1.25 a yard, will be offered at, per yard..... 50c and 25c

Extra quality Silk Plush, 24 inches wide in a good assortment of colors; worth 85c a yard; Friday at..... 39c

Handkerchiefs.

3½c each or 10c for three—Friday, buys very pretty Hemstitched Handkerchiefs with fast colored borders—worth double. (This lot in basement.)

10c each or $1.00 per dozen Friday buys Men's full size Hemstitched Satin Striped and woven corded border Handkerchiefs—very fine quality and a great bargain.

12½c each Friday buys Ladies' pure Linen Handkerchiefs with genuine hand-drawn work—easily worth 20c.

22c each Friday buys Men's Initial and Fancy Border Handkerchiefs of genuine Jap. Silk—will wash like linen—and worth double the price asked.

59c Friday buys a Fancy Box of those Ladies' Dainty Hemstitched Initial Handkerchiefs—just the thing for presents—easily worth $1.00 a box.

But the Handkerchief Chance of All

Is on the second floor, where an Importer's Special lot of Ladies' Union and Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs—will be closed out at an amazing price! These are Hemstitched in different widths with hand-embroidered initials in ten different styles—all very lovely goods—worth 25c to 35c each, Friday per box of six 85c, or each 15c

$10.00 Blankets for..... $4.25

62 pairs very finest steam shrunk White California Bed Blankets, full 12-quarter sizes, with handsome fancy borders—slightly soiled from display, but worth up to $10.00 a pair, Friday, choice of all $4.25

STIX BAER & FULLER —GRAND-LEADER—

GRAND-LEADER

815-821 N. BROADWAY. —STIX, BAER & FULLER—

THE FASTEST-GROWING STORE IN AMERICA.

Silk Pongee.

From 8:30 to 9:30 a. m.

Friday we will offer all-pure Silk Pongee, in a good assortment of colors, and just what is needed for fancy work and drapery, at, per yard... 15c

Child's Cloaks.

1 to 4 Year Sizes. Second Floor.

Child's All-Wool Cloth, Lamb's Wool and Cashmere, long and short Cloaks, beautifully trimmed and made up in a variety of the newest, most taking styles, worth $4, $4.50 and $5 will be closed out (as we have but one of a kind) at..... $2.75

Umbrellas.

From 10 to 12 O'Clock.

Friday, Ladies' 26-inch Fast Black Gloria Silk Umbrellas, in nice natural wood and celluloid handles, worth $1.25 and $1.50 each (only 1 to a customer), at..... 69c

FIRE SALE OF TOYS!

20 cases Fire, Smoke and Water Damaged Toys (from a New York auction) for next to nothing on FOURTH FLOOR Friday. Prices arranged to sweep the whole in one day. In 4 Big Lots—entirely separate from our regular stock

Lot 1 Contains—
China Dolls, Toy Furniture, Tin Ranges, Birds in Cages, Magnetic Toys, Trumpets, Checkers, Musical Tops, Animals, and hundreds of other Toys, worth when perfect up to 35c each, choice of the lot..... 3c

Lot 2 Contains—
Laundry Sets, Plush Seat Doll Swings, Washable Dolls, Tree Ornaments, Large Animals, Checker Boards and Checkers, Spelling Blocks, Large Money Banks and hundreds of other Toys, worth when perfect up to 50c each, choice of the lot..... 9c

Lot 3 Contains—
Malleable Iron Horses and Riders, Carts, Sulkies, etc. Metallophones. Child's triple-plated Table Sets in Satin lined Boxes. Large Bagatelles. Toy Dressers and Fancy Tables. Large Laundry Sets. Bisque Head and Kid Body Dolls, etc. Worth when perfect up to 75c each. Choice of all..... 19c

Lot 4 Contains—
Boys' Nickel-Plated Lock Lever Steel Skates with steel hardened runners—(an immense bargain). Large $1.00 Jointed Body, Bisque Head Dolls. Games, Malleable Iron Toys. Pianos, large Ten Pins Plush Seat Furniture Sets, Iron Ranges and Utensils. Mechanical Locomotives, worth up to $1.50 each, choice of all..... 39c

OUR REGULAR TOY STOCK ON THIRD FLOOR

98c Friday for Boys' Velocipedes No. 1—like cut—$1.50 at Toy Houses.

Larger sizes in proportion.

Girls' Plush Upholstered Steel Wheel Tricycles, with adjustable seats, at..... $2.98

12-slide Magic Lanterns, sold everywhere at 75c, Friday..... 49c

A Fine Line of Magic Lanterns, intended for entertainments, up to (each) $6.48

Malleable Iron Toys.

Iron Fire Engines, Hose Reels, Coal Wagons, Railroad Trains, Delivery Wagons, etc., worth $1.25 regularly, Friday at..... 89c

$3.00 Hooks and Ladders, Fire Engines, Ice Wagons, Mechanical Electric Street Cars, etc. Friday for..... $1.89

Fancy Rocking Chairs.

Child's 50c quality Large Hardwood Rockers, with arms, at..... 29c

Misses' Large Size Hardwood Folding Rockers, with carpeted seats; can't be matched for $1.00, Friday at..... 59c

Child's Fine Reed Body Rockers, with silk plush seats; worth $1.50, Friday at..... 98c

49c Friday for Toy Oak Dressers, like cut, and Oak Tables, always 75c.

Sets of Solid Steel Nickel-Plated Nut Sets (6 picks and 1 cracker, worth 25c, Friday..... 35c

Wooden Carts are sold at 25c; we sell Iron ones, (same size) at..... 19c

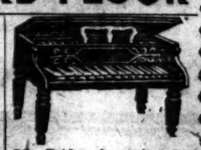
Baskets.

$1.75 Infants' Baskets..... 89c
$2.00 Waste Baskets, gold bronzed..... 98c
$1.50 Fancy Stand Baskets..... 98c

Bisque Head Dolls with jointed bodies, closing eyes, &c. Our regular $1.25 size, Friday for..... 79c

24-inch Kid Body Bisque Head Dolls. Our regular $1.49 size, Friday for..... 98c

Large Dolls, dressed in silk and satin, shoes, stockings, etc., many styles, unmatchable at 50c



98c Friday for 15-key Pianos—like cut—regular price $1.50.

75c Toy Pianos for..... 49c

Finer and larger ones up to $12.00 each.

75c Hardwood Toy Extension Tables..... 49c

Our regular Dollar Sleds, Friday for..... 69c

King Air Guns—the best made—with hardwood stock, Friday at..... 89c

SAVINGS BANKS—Get the $10 one; arranged to hold and register deposits of nickels, dimes and silver dollars up to $10; handsomely nickel-plated; sells on sight for..... 89c

Table Covers.

Second Floor.

From 9 to 10 a. m. Friday.

Or as long as they last, 125 Chenille and Tapestry Table Covers, pretty colorings, worth 75c each, at..... 35c

Knitted Underwear.

LAST CHANCE—Ladies' Extra Fine Imported Natural Wool and Camel's Hair Vests, with Ribbed Skirts and Pearl Buttons, pants to match, with Yoke Bands, worth $1.50 regularly, Friday at..... 98c

Fancy Dresser Sets.

(Scarf and 8 D'Oylies) made of either Lace or Embroidery, each piece backed with colored cambric, usually sold for $2.25 a set, Friday only $1.48

A Crowd?

(On 2d Floor.) Well, can blame yourself Friday morning, why our aisles are always thronged. Here are three reasons!

Soiled Underwear—Choice of all our display—Soiled Muslin Gowns, Skirts, Chemises, Drawers, etc.—divided into two lots for a Friday "sweepout."

Gowns, Skirts, Chemises and Drawers, worth 49c, 59c and 69c, will go at..... 39c

Gowns, Skirts, Chemises and Drawers, worth 69c, 79c and $1.25 each, will go at..... 59c

Child's Skirts—Child's All-Wool Knitted Skirts, with Knitted Waists, with pretty borders—worth 65c and 75c each. Friday all sizes at..... 39c

Fascinators—All-Wool Hand-Knitted Fascinators, in Pink, Blue, Cardinal, Black and White, regular 49c and 69c ones, Friday at..... 25c

$1.00, $1.25 and $1.50 Silk Velvets for.... 49c

The entire stock of short lengths of a leading city Jobbing House closed out to us below half price—comprising FINEST SILK VELVETS in every color imaginable. Possible to match almost any shade of dress goods, Choice Friday per yard..... 49c

75c Changeable Taffetas And all Silk Crepes at.. 25c

Choice of over 1,000 yards—spread upon one Big Counter—embracing all pure Silk Changeable Taffetas and Extra Heavy All Pure Silk Crepe in all the evening shades—worth 75c a yard, Friday at..... 25c

Immense Values in Neckties.

All our beautiful 25c Ties at..... 25c
All our elegant 50c Ties at..... 35c
All our superb 75c Ties at..... 50c

Give Him a Box of Suspenders

Fine All-Silk Suspenders, with fancy Buckles, put up one pair in a box, 75c for these is usual price, our price..... 50c

Finest Embroidered Satin Suspenders—none to beat them anywhere—all put up one pair in a box—
The dollar quality at..... 75c
The $1.25 quality at..... 98c
The $2.00 quality at..... $1.50

Millinery.

Altogether too many fine Trimmed Hats in our stock.

What's to Be Done?
Cut the Prices?
Yes! Yes! Yes!

Cut the Prices and Push 'Em Out!

$3.00 Trimmed Hats therefore going at..... $1.98

$4.00 Trimmed Hats therefore going at..... $2.98

$5.00 Trimmed Hats therefore going at..... $3.49

Baby Caps—The right sort for Xmas Gifts—all styles and colors—at all prices, and as low as..... 49c

Frosted Quills—Worth 5c everywhere else, here at..... 4c

Ribbons—No. 5 All-Silk Satin Ribbons, all colors—for Holiday use—cut to (yard)..... 5c

FURS.

Nothing More Acceptable.

Child's Fur Sets—in Coney, White and a few colors—and a small lot odds and ends of other sorts, worth $1.25 a set. Choice Friday..... 69c

Choice of one lot Fine Black Hare and Coney Muffs—extra satin lined and full blocked, worth up to $1.75 each. Friday at..... 98c

$4.00 and $5.00 Shoes for.... $2.98.

2000 pairs Ladies' elegant Hand-Sewed Lace and Button Shoes—in very latest up-to-date styles—made by Harding & Todd, Rochester, New York—and exactly the same shoes we and ourselves are selling every day at $4.00 and $4.50. On sale Friday at..... $2.98

The Reason—A Square Tip, instead of a pointed one—the error of the makers—makes it impossible for us to put them into our regular stock. 'Harding & Todd's' concession to us is simply handed over to you. A saving of $1.50 to $1.50 on every pair. The Square Tip is as stylish as the Pointed one.

People Get Rich

Who buy our Groceries. The difference is about one-third! Is it not worth saving?

Two Days Only,
21 lbs best Granulated Sugar for..... $1.00
A. Lusk's Bear Brand California Fruit, in assorted dozens, worth $2.75, per doz..... $1.60
Best London Layer Raisins, 4 crowns, worth 20c lb, cut to..... 8c
New 3-crown Loose Muscatel Raisins, worth 15c lb, cut to..... 4c
Best new Sugar Corn, worth fully 10c per can, cut to..... 5½c
3-lb cans select solid packed Tomatoes, worth 10c can, cut to..... 7c
Extra quality Early June Peas, worth fully 15c can, cut to..... 9c
New England Baked Pork and Beans, worth 15c can, cut to..... 7c
11 bars Fairbanks' Extra Family Soap, worth 35c, cut to..... 25c
3 Bars Proctor & Gamble's Lenox Soap, worth 15c, cut to..... 10c
Best new Cove Oysters, worth fully 10c can, cut to..... 6c
Fancy Imported Mixed Nuts, worth fully 20c lb, cut to..... 10c
Fancy new Leghorn Citron, price 25 lb, cut to..... 15c
Fancy Cleaned Vostizzi Currants, worth 10c package, cut to..... 5c
Armour's Pure Leaf Lard, worth 10c, out to..... 7½c
Our 35c Gunpowder Tea, worth 50c lb, cut down to..... 27c
Our 35c English Breakfast Tea, worth fully 50c, cut to, lb..... 20c
Gordon & Dilworth's Plum Pudding, the best made, cut to, can..... 23c
$1.00 bottles Sobel Sour Mash Whisky, cut to..... 49c
Quart bottles Port, Sherry or Angelica Wine, worth 50c, cut to..... 25c
Pure Candy Beads, for Christmas decorations, per yard..... 2c
Pure Gum Drops, worth fully 12c lb, cut to..... 7½c

Free—With every purchase in Grocery Dept., a Sample Box of Candy Free.

STIX BAER & FULLER —GRAND-LEADER—

KANSAS GHOULS.

Indignation at Topeka Over Grave Robbing by Medical Students.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 12.—The third body stolen from cemeteries here was found in the Kansas Medical College yesterday, and popular indignation at the outrageous manner in which graves have been desecrated reached a crisis last night, when a mob began to form with the avowed purpose of burning the college.

The police learned that there was a movement on foot to assemble a mob to sack the institution, which is located at Twelfth and Tyler streets. Late in the evening the faculty of the college called upon the police for protection. The students were all sent home and the college building taken possession of by a large squad of policemen.

A detail of militiamen from Battery B of this city was stationed at their arsenal to prevent a capture of the arms stored there. Upon request of the Sheriff Governor has ordered the infantry company at Lawrence to respond to a call at any moment.

Mr. P. H. Lillis identified the third body at the college as that of his mother, who died recently.

Yesterday the body of the wife of A. N. Drake of North Topeka was discovered to have been taken from her grave. The corpse was found at the college. On Monday I. O. Van Fleet, who had buried his wife but a few hours before, found her mutilated and disfigured remains on the dissecting table at the college. This discovery resulted in the arrest of S. A. Johnson, a student who acts as janitor of the institution. It was these revelations, coming one after another, that caused a wave of indignation to sweep over the city.

All the A. O. U. W. lodges met last night to denounce the outrage and demand a full investigation to discover the ghouls.

Farmer Crazed by Speculation.

DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 12.—Elijah B. Hudson, a prosperous farmer, who has gone crazy over losses in grain speculation, was arrested here yesterday afternoon for going about armed with two revolvers and a dirk and threatening the lives of many citizens.

No Drugs to CHEW
No Stems to SMOKE

PUREST AND BEST.

MAIL POUCH TOBACCO

No Nerves Quaking
No Heart Palpitating
No Dyspeptic Aching

ANTI-NERVOUS ANTI-DYSPEPTIC

FELL FROM A TRAIN.

George T. Coleman of Mississippi Killed in Indiana.

MITCHELL, Ind., Dec. 12.—George T. Coleman was killed about four miles east of here late last night. He was a passenger on a Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern train east bound, and was not missed until the train reached North Vernon. Employes found him at Hamer's Crossing, where the road makes a short curve.

It is supposed he met his death while attempting to go from the smoker to the sleeper. A memorandum found on his person gave the following instructions:

"Should anything serious happen to me while traveling wire Mrs. Geo. T. Coleman, West Point, Miss."

HAS FOUR WIVES.

Trial of Editor Curtis for Bigamy at Anamosa, Io.

ANAMOSA, Io., Dec. 12.—The case of the State of Iowa vs. R. B. Curtis, the editor of the Anamosa Daily Call, who, it is charged, was the husband of four wives, and who has been held in jail here for six months, is now on trial. It took but half an hour to empanel a jury. The State has present as witnesses from abroad the County Clerk of the Illinois court, who sold Curtis his license to marry Miss Mae Smith at Peoria, Ill., his third wife; J. J. Sands, an attorney from Lacon, Ill., who knew all the particulars of how Scott, alias Curtis, skipped while his wife was ill; Miss Belle Hackley of Lacon, and Mrs. Smith, a sister-in-law of Curtis' wife, both of whom attended the wedding, and E. E. Wilson, a newspaper man of Lyle, Minn., for whom Curtis worked. Curtis' last wife, Miss Arnold, is present as a witness.

ASIATIC POLITICS.

Address of John W. Foster to Ann Arbor Students.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 12.—Two thousand students listened to ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster's address last night on Asiatic politics. President Angell introduced the distinguished visitor. In respect to the present phase of Armenian affairs Mr. Foster said:

"Upon the British Government must rest a large share of the responsibility for the existence and continuance of the recent outrages in Asia Minor. But for its intervention the Turkish power would have been completely broken as a result of the Russian war in 1877." A considerable part of the lecture was taken up with the events leading up to and growing out of the late war between China and Japan. Mr. Foster spoke of the remarkable development of Japan along the line of civilized nations and her accession to them as a great military power. The interference of the European powers in the war shows how intimately they were bound up in the affairs of the East. The conduct of England and Russia emphasizes the character of their respective interests. England feared for her vast commerce in the event of war. Russia, with no commerce, interfered only when Japan tried to become a continental power, planting herself in conquered territory.

Ladies Take a Pardonable Pride

In beautiful teeth, which enrapture the beholder when they speak, smile or sing. This charm is conferred by pure, aromatic SOZODONT, which has no compeer, though articles represented to possess properties identical with it are sometimes sold to the unsuspecting as substitutes.

BLACKMAILER SENT TO JAIL.

Ex-Republican Committeeman Hart Must Serve His Term.

DES MOINES, Io., Dec. 12.—The Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of the Plymouth County District Court in the case of the State vs. Atlee Hart, sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for extortion.

It was one of the most famous cases in the history of the State. Hart was a capitalist at Sioux City, living across the Missouri, in Nebraska. He was at one time National Republican Committeeman from Nebraska and a newspaper editor. Three years ago a paper published in Chicago began writing up scandalous articles about prominent Sioux City people. It made a business of extorting money from people by a threat to write them up. Hart acted as a go-between to compromise these matters and receive the money. A trap was laid and he was caught receiving money. After a long, sensational trial he and Lewis, the correspondent, were convicted. Lewis served his term, but Hart took the case to the Supreme Court, which has now held that he must serve out his sentence. Hart claimed he had no connection with Lewis and was merely acting as a friend of the people to whom he went. The Supreme Court holds that the claim of friendship was a mere pretense, "and there is direct evidence as to his guilt," the opinion says, in the attempt to extort from Gilman and Hedges. The record is full of facts and circumstances which point plainly and clearly to his guilt.

LETTERS IN THE SKY.

Curious Phenomenon in the Heavens Observed at Eufaula.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

EUFAULA, I. T., Dec. 12.—A curious phenomenon appeared in the heavens in the southeast of here, Tuesday night, about 9 o'clock. It appeared in two very dark red perpendicular lines in about the proportion of a mammoth letter "H" without the connection. The figure was very distinct and remained intact several minutes, when it assumed, rapidly, a very accurate "E" shape, with another dark red line underneath, as though emphasized. After several minutes it resumed the former shape of two perpendicular lines, and remained thus for the space of half an hour, marked distinctly. Presently, it swiftly faded and disappeared.

NO SUNDAY WORK.

Movement Begun by the Retail Clerks of Chicago Stores.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—The Chicago Retail Clerks' Association will take advantage of the fight for Sunday rest, inaugurated by the Barbers' Protective Association. The barbers have made a plucky fight and they have shown no intention of giving up. If the clerks give the promised aid, the fight will be given new life and vigor. The clerks have been holding secret meetings for some days, and the details of their plans are not ready for publication. Those in charge of the movement say it is not entirely sympathetic move on their part, but that they have as much to complain of as the barbers or any other class in the matter of Sunday work. One of the leaders said last night: "There are 20,000 stores in Chicago where clerks are employed. Of that number only the big department stores and a few others close on Sunday and in a great majority of the stores clerks are required to work at least part of the day. We want it stopped even if a general strike is necessary to accomplish it."

Clover Leaf Trains

Are heated by steam from the engines. Ticket office [illegible].

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619 OLIVE ST.,

....JEWELER.

Solid Gold Ladies' Watch at... $15
Solid Gold Gents' at..... $25
Silver Buttoners at..... 25c
Solid Gold Set Rings..... $1

First Quality Goods at the Above Prices and Upward.

Wood-Workers Organized.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Brotherhood of Carpenters, with 60,000 members, will organize the 8,000 members of the small Wood Workers' Unions into one organization, tomorrow night. The union will then be attached to the brotherhood. The amalgamation will be effected by Peter J. McDuce, Superintendent of the Brotherhood. For more than a year the district council of the brotherhood in this city has steadily followed a policy of absorption. During the year it has taken into the brotherhood Cabinet Makers' Union No. 7, the United German Farmers' Union and the Machine Wood Workers' Union.

The mass meeting called for to-night is to be held at Mannerchor Hall. The speakers will be President McBride of the Federation of Labor; P. J. McGuire, D. P. Rowland of Cincinnati, James J. Linehan of Chicago and others.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant

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Holiday Present.

we have a very large and select assortment of the best makes of

Opera Glasses, Also...

Photographic Outfits,

Silver Novelties, Fancy Thermometers, Drawing Instruments, Etc., at very Low Prices.

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YOU can't put it in your wife's stocking or hang it on the Christmas Tree.

Wrought OAK Steel

Will make the most comfortable Christmas gift.

Made by EXCELSIOR MFG. CO., 810 N. MAIN.

FOR SALE BY STOVE DEALERS

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Mr. V. L. Roessel

During the present holiday season at MERMOD & JACCARD'S, BROADWAY, COR. LOCUST ST., will be pleased to see his friends.

Mr. Walter Florence

Would be pleased to see his friends at the Solid Silver Toilet Ware Dept. of the MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO., BROADWAY, COR. LOCUST ST., where he will be this holiday season.

MR. GEORGES STIEFFEL,

The diamond expert of World's Fair fame, for nine years with the Mermod-Jaccard Jewelry Co., has now accepted charge of the E. Jaccard's Jewelry Co.'s diamond department and will be pleased to see his old friends and patrons at the new place. Remember, Olive and Sixth street.

Mr. J. A. Robinson

Advises his friends that for the holiday season he is connected with the MERMOD & JACCARD CO., of BROADWAY AND LOCUST ST., where he will be pleased to see them and supply their wants.

Mr. J. M. Corby

Herewith notifies his friends that during the holiday season he will be in the Finger Ring Dept. of the MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO., BROADWAY, CORNER LOCUST, where he will be pleased to wait upon them.

MR. WIRT A. FARISS

Would be pleased to notify his many friends that he is now with the E. Jaccard Jewelry Company, Olive and Sixth streets, where he will be able to serve them to better advantage.

Mr. Jos. J. Samesreuther,

For the past ten years book-keeper for the MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO., BROADWAY and LOCUST ST., advises his friends that he has changed his position for a more active one, that of salesman, and he would be pleased to have his friends call upon him, and be assured them that their wants in the beautiful lines of goods of the MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO., will receive his most careful and conscientious attention.

Mr. Arthur P. Clarke

Takes pleasure in notifying his friends and patrons that he is again during this holiday season, with the MERMOD & JACCARD JEWELRY CO.'s (Broadway, cor. Locust), in their Solid Silver and Silver Plated Novelty Dept., where he will be pleased to see them and give their wants his careful attention.

Washburn

Guitars, Mandolins, Banjos and Zithers are the standard of artistic excellence. In the great essentials, Tone, Durability and Workmanship, they are peerless. Used and endorsed by the leading artists everywhere. Ask your music dealer for the Washburn, and see that it bears the familiar trade-mark, "Cottages" mailed free. Lyon & Healy, Mfrs., Chicago.

AMUSEMENTS.

HAVLIN'S TO-NIGHT.
THE LAND OF THE LIVING.
Next Sunday Matinee—Trans-Oceanic Specialty Co.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—To-Night
CAMILLE D'ARVILLE
And Her Own Company, including GEORGE C. BONIFACE, JR., presenting Stange & Edwards' Remarkable Success,
MADELINE, or THE MAGIC KISS
SATURDAY MATINEE.
NEXT WEEK
MISSOURI MEN and MISSOURI WOMEN TELL A TALE OF MISSOURI —IN—
FRANK MAYO'S
Delightful Dramatic Reflex of MARK TWAIN'S
Pudd'nhead Wilson
Seats now on sale.

OLYMPIC TO-NIGHT AT 8 O'CLOCK.
PALMER COX'S BROWNIES.
C. R. JEFFERSON, KLAW & ERLANGER'S ENORMOUSLY SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION.
MATINEES FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

SPECIAL!
CHILDREN'S GRAND MATINEE!
FRIDAY, DEC. 13,
Commencing at 2:30 P. M.

Children Take Notice: A Private Box holding six people will be given to the Boy or Girl, under 16 years of age, who will give the best drawing of a BROWNIE to Mr. Palmer Cox at the Olympic Theater. All drawings must be in by Thursday evening at 6 p. m., December 12. Complimentary tickets for the Box will be mailed to the lucky artist Thursday Night.

Sunday, December 15—"HANSEL & GRETEL" Opera.

STANDARD... NIGHT AT 8
MATINEE TO-MORROW.
BOSTON HOWARD ATHENAEUM CO.
Next Week—Harry Morris' 20th Century Maids.

WIGS AND COSTUMES
For theater and masquerade balls for rent and sale at reasonable rates. Ladies' and gents' shave shop.

BLOOD-STAINED TWO EDGED AX.

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with blood. The indenture in which Dr. Gleason found the body on his arrival was comparatively free from blood. The witness, after testifying somewhat as an expert in this respect, returned more directly to the narrative as to what he had seen at that time. He described the finding of matches in profusion scattered on the front stairs; the pieces of money along the path to the woodshed up the alley; the wallet of the murdered man, the ax behind the board, leaning up against the shed, in the alley. Dr. Gleason took this ax back to the scene of the crime and fitted it into the wound to make certain that it was the weapon with which the crime was done. The ax fitted perfectly.

Mr. Heather then brought forth the cruel instrument with which Amos J. Stillwell's life was taken. It was a two-edged ax with a handle three feet long. One edge is fairly sharp, but the other is jagged and rough. Dark stains on one end showed the traces of Amos J. Stillwell's blood.

The crowd gaped as the jury came forward intently to gaze on the thing which, if it could speak, could tell the whole horrible story, either condemning the Hearnes or freeing them.

Mr. Heather asked Dr. Gleason if the ax could have inflicted the wound in the body as it lay in bed.

Col. Dryden objected, whereupon Col. Clark insisted that he cease "hopping in" with objections.

"I'm not hopping in," retorted the ponderous Dryden.

"I object to such remarks," Col. Clark chipped in, while sitting down, and insisted that "hopping in" was good English.

Judge Hoy got after him for not rising. Both soon finally apologized and the examination was resumed.

In response to another question of Mr. Heather's, Dr. Gleason was allowed to state that with the ax fitted into the wound, the handle pointed towards the middle of the bed.

On cross-examination, Col. Dryden wanted to know if death was instantaneous after the blow from the ax.

"The Doctor thought so.

"Would the body move at all?"

"It might move convulsively, but not intelligently."

"Did he move at all?"

"My opinion is that he did not move at all. He might have straightened out his legs."

"Did you ever see a chicken with its head cut off?"

"Yes, sir."

And then Col. Dryden branched off into a discussion of comparative anatomy, with chickens and human beings as object lessons. Dr. Gleason had said that syncope had caused Stillwell's death. The lawyer thought a chicken with its head cut off would also be afflicted with syncope, and it certainly raised a fuss.

One of the questions Col. Dryden asked the doctor was if the blood spurting from a juggular vein would not cause a whizzing sound. The doctor thought it would.

The object of this question is not manifest, unless it be to explain an assertion of Mrs. Hearne's that she heard the whirr of the ax at the time of the murder. Woodcutters say axes do nor whirr. The State has been preparing to dilate on this. To close his examination Dr. Gleason admitted that he was at outs with Dr. Hearne.

W. S. Leaguey a florist of Hannibal, was the next witness. He was aroused about 1:45 the night of the murder by hearing Mrs. Hearne arousing the Allens next door. He went over to Mr. Stillwell's residence. He described the finding of the body. His testimony agreed in the main with that of Dr. Gleason.

In the opening of his examination, the State endeavored to have him relate what Mrs. Hearne had said when she gave the alarm, but he was not allowed to do so by the Court. His testimony as to the position of the body proved positively that the body was moved after the man was dead. The witness stated that the indenture in the center of the bed was fifteen inches from where the body lay and that blood, thick and clotted, extended from the bolster four feet down the length of the bed. He also testified to the splotches on the wall where the blood had spurted from the wound between the bed proper and the head board. This tends to prove that the man was lying down when struck.

The State is trying to prove that Stillwell's body was moved after death to give rise to the belief that he was rising up in bed to attack the alleged burglar, who Mrs. Hearne said committed the deed.

At 12 o'clock an adjournment was taken until 1:30 p. m.

IN THE HANDS OF THE JURY.

Case of Ex-Officer James Prosser, Charged With Assault to Kill.

The case of ex-Officer James Prosser, charged with assault to kill was submitted to the jury at 11:30 o'clock Thursday. Prosser was put on the stand Thursday morning. He put up the plea that he had shot Frank Palmer accidentally. In rebuttal the State put Clerk Archibald Carr, of the Criminal Court, on the stand to testify to the good character of George Blumeyer, whom the defense's witnesses called a hoodlum.

The case was not argued.

The Santa Fe's Charter.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 12.—At 2 o'clock to-day the new charter of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co. was filed with the Secretary of State. The difference between it and the old one lies in the substitution of the word "railway" instead of "railroad." The list of the directors as already printed. The directors met to 3 o'clock have done nothing at their meeting except to be sworn in.

Illinois State Grange.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 12.—The Illinois State Grange to-day elected for the ensuing year as Worthy Master, Oliver Wilson of Putnam County. The Patrons' Aid Society elected as President, D. Q. Trotter of Jersey County.

To Kansas City and Denver,

Via Burlington Route. Solid vestibuled train leaves Union Station daily, 8:45 p. m. Ticket Office, S. W. corner Broadway and Olive st.

REV. E. E. WILLEY WINS.

He Gets Judgment for the Insurance on His Residence.

Rev. E. E. Willey was awarded a judgment for $1,658 against the Connecticut Fire Insurance Co. by a jury in Judge Fitzgraft's court Thursday afternoon. The jury reached a verdict after being out twelve hours.

In January, 1894, the parsonage of the Congregational Church at Joplin, of which Willey was pastor, was destroyed by fire. He carried insurance on his household effects, but the company refused to pay it, and charged Willey with starting the fire himself. The trial produced no evidence to substantiate this, and now Willey threatens to institute a suit for libel against the company.

REPORTER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

Edward C. Taylor Fell a Victim to Heart Failure at Alton.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

ALTON, Ill., Dec. 12.—Edward C. Taylor, a reporter on the Sentinel-Democrat, dropped dead this morning at 11:30 o'clock, while sitting in a chair at the Madison Hotel annex. Deceased had been sick only a few hours, when he was stricken with heart failure. He was about 45 years of age and single.

VISITORS IN THE CITY.

George E. Williams, a capitalist of Lynn, Mass., is at the Planters'.

J. B. White, a lumber dealer at Kansas City, is at the Planters'.

L. D. Hopkins, superintendent of the Missouri Pacific Railway, with headquarters at Sedalia, is at the Planters'.

R. B. Martin, general passenger agent of the Big Four Railway, is at the Southern.

Senator C. E. Pears of Warrenton, Mo., is at the Southern.

Wm. Speed Stephens of Boonville, Mo., is at the Southern.

Charles Petts, a merchant of Warsaw, Mo., is at the Lindell.

L. D. Cain, interested in the Hot Springs Hotel, is at the Lindell.

Paul Hirsch and C. E. Kendall, lace manufacturers of New York, are at the Lindell.

Sheriff Charles H. Bell and wife of Ste. Genevieve, Mo., are at Hurt's Hotel.

H. L. Heath and young bride came here from New York City to spend a few days of their honeymoon. Mo., are at Hurst's Hotel.

The members of the Wilson Opera Company spent Wednesday night at Hurst's, passing through to New York City.

L. M. Martin, a capitalist of Iowa, is at the St. Nicholas.

F. N. Tucker, a merchant of Clofer Bend, Ark., is at the Southern.

H. F. Gitchrist, a merchant of Knobel, Ark., is at the St. James. He is here buying goods.

C. R. Marvin, a hat manufacturer of New York City, is stopping at the Lindell.

J. R. Cameron, dealer in live stock at Canton, Miss., is at the Lindell.

Thinks Her Son Was Abducted.

Mrs. Kate Castigan, 2235 Division street, reported to the police Thursday that her 13-year-old son, John, was abducted Monday by his uncle, William Wilday, and has not returned. She thinks Wilday has taken the boy to Indiana. Wilday's wife told her that he had gone away, she knew not where. He lives at 1324 North Nineteenth street.

GLOVES.

500 dozen Ladies' 4-Button Genuine French Kid Gloves, Colors, Tan, Brown and Black; regular price, $1.50 pair. Warranted and fitted to the hand Friday for

95c Pair.

DOLLS.

We are selling Dolls at almost half the price asked by other houses.

Kid Body Dolls 25c, worth 50c.
Kid Body Dolls 48c, worth 75c.
Kid Body Dolls $1.00, worth $1.50.
French Bisque Jointed Dolls 50c, worth 89c.
French Bisque Jointed Dolls $1.00, worth $1.50.
French Bisque Jointed Dolls $1.48, worth $2.00.
French Bisque Jointed Dolls $1.98, worth $2.75.
French Bisque Dressed Dolls 50c to $5.00.

HANDSOME CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

A BEAUTIFUL HAT.
A BEAUTIFUL BONNET.
A BEAUTIFUL BOA.

You can find them here in great profusion and at lower prices than anywhere else.

Special Ribbon Sale.

All Silk, Satin and Gros Grain—

No. 7 at....3c No. 9 at.....7c
No. 5 at....4c No. 12 & 16 at 9c
No. 7 at....5c No. 22 at....12c

NATURAL FLOWER DEPARTMENT.

Handsome Holly Wreath.....19c
Choice Roses.....4c Each

Leave your orders early for Christmas decorations.

Good, Substantial, Sensible XMAS GIFTS

At the Smallest Possible Prices.

Sonnenfeld's

L. ACKERMAN, Manager. 419 and 421 N. BROADWAY.

An Enormous Purchase of JEWELRY.

We will place on sale to-morrow the entire stock of BAILEY, HALL & JANSEN of Providence, R. I., one of the largest manufacturers of Jewelry in America, which we purchased at 55 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR—consisting of Ladies', Gents' and Children's Solid Gold, Gold Plated and Sterling Silver Novelties at less than manufacturers' cost.

50 dozen Ladies' Solid Gold Chased Band Rings, like cut, 48c. Worth $1.25.

25 dozen Solid Gold Chased Band Rings, like cut. 98c. Worth $2.00.

25 doz Heavy Solid Gold Chased Band Rings, like cut, $1.48. Worth $3.00.

Ladies' Exquisite Solid Gold Set Rings, in 25 different settings, $3.98. Worth $6.50.

Ladies' Solid Gold Set Rings, like cut, and 10 other styles, $1.98. Worth $3.50.

Ladies' Solid Gold Set Rings, 20 different patterns, 98c. Worth $2.00.

15 doz Extra Heavy Solid Gold Chased Band Rings, like cut, $2.48. Worth $4.00.

Children's Solid Gold Chip Diamond Rings, 50c. Worth $1.25.

Children's Solid Gold Rings, like cut, 19c. Worth 50c.

Children's Solid Gold Band Rings, like cut, 50c. Worth $1.25.

Ladies' Beautiful Solid Gold Set Rings, like cut, and 12 other settings, $2.98. Worth $5.00.

Children's Solid Gold Rings, like cut, 98c. Worth $2.00.

500 Gents' Solid Gold Scarf Pins, beautiful settings, at 50c, 98c, $1.48 and $1.98. Just ½ price.

1,000 pairs Gents' Gold-Plated Sleeve Buttons at....48c, 98c and $1.25. Worth $1.00 to $2.50 pair.

1,000 Ladies' Sterling Silver Thimbles.....10c. Worth 89c.
500 Ladies' Sterling Silver Thimbles.....25c. Worth 50c.
500 Ladies' Sterling Silver Thimbles.....48c. Worth $1.00.

UMBRELLAS.

100 26-inch Silk Serge Umbrellas, with Dresden handles, worth $2.25.....$1.48

100 26-inch Silk Serge Umbrellas, with Natural Wood Loop and Crook Handles, steel rod, cover and tassels, worth $2.00.....$1.98

100 26-inch Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, Natural Loop and Crook Handles, Silver Trimmed, steel rod, cover and tassel, worth $5.00.....$3.98

HANDKERCHIEFS.

80 doz Gents' Hand-Embroidered Initial Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, Hemstitched, worth 39c, Friday.....22c

100 doz Ladies' Colored Border, Hemstitched and Plain White Initial Handkerchiefs, worth 7½c, Friday.....4c

50 doz Ladies' and Gents' Hand-Embroidered Initial Union Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, Friday.....15c

HEAD RESTS.

100 doz. Japanese Crepe and Silk Head Rests, worth 39c, 75c and $1.00, at.....25c, 50c and 69c

DRAPERY SCARFS.

50 doz. Japanese Silk Drapery Scarfs, worth 50c, 69c, 89c and $1.00, at.....39c, 48c, 59c and 69c

APRONS.

40 doz. Ladies' extra large white lawn embroidered Aprons, deep hem, long tie strings, Friday.....25c

Cloaks and Furs XMAS GIFTS.

Every Cloak, Jacket, Cape or Fur Cape on Sale at About Half Regular Prices.

CHILDREN'S FURS.

Child's White Lynx Fur Sets, Muff and Collar.....69c
Child's Natural Lynx Fur Sets, Muff and Collar.....75c
Child's White Angora Fur Sets, Muff and Collar.....$1.25
Child's Fancy Plush Sets, Fancy Muff with pocketbook.....$1.95

LADIES' FURS.

(Less Than Half-Price.)

30-inch Canada Seal Fur Cape, Thibet Trimmed.....$13.75
Black Coney Fur Neck Scarfs.....75c
Genuine Mink Fur Neck Scarfs.....$2.50
New Style—Extra Long—English Electric Seal Neck Scarfs.....$3.95
Fur Muffs, from.....50c to $10.00

FRIDAY SPECIALS.

A $5.00 Child's Cloak.....$2.98
A $10.00 Ladies' Jacket.....$4.95
A $20.00 Plush Cape.....$10.00
A $15.00 Fur Cape.....$7.50
Accordion Pleated Skirt.....$3.75

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Sheriff W. L. Dougherty. F. D. Gourley. R. K. Smith. W. H. Reading. Frank Hayden. Deputy Sheriff Lindsey. Deputy Sheriff C. A. Lyter. Sheldon Cochrane. Lloyd D. Buchanan. Herman McDonold. John T. Mackey. Joe L. Davis. John M. Givens. Henry S. Brown. Jacob Fry.

ABOUT TOWN.

FRACTURED HIS SKULL.—William Lynn, an engineer on the transfer boat, Henry Sackman, was attacked by two negroes on the Levee near Chouteau avenue Wednesday night and robbed of $30. Lynn was struck over the head with a coupling pin and an examination at the City Hospital revealed the fact that he had sustained a superficial fracture of the skull. The injuries are serious, but not fatal. The negroes escaped and are unknown.

FOR STEALING A HORSE.—Joe Lariver was arrested at Webster Park Station Wednesday night by Deputy Sheriff Ed Hencken on a charge of stealing a horse from a barn in Webster Grove last May. A buggy and harness were also stolen from the same neighborhood the same night. Lavriver was committed to the County Jail at Clayton.

HIS FOURTH ATTEMPT.—Frank Anderson said he had taken four spoonsful of rough rat poison a pint of whisky because Nellie Queen, a dissolute woman at 103 Poplar street would not marry him. He was taken to the City Dispensary last night and was pumped out. But little poison was found. Anderson is a cabman and lives at 3150 Sheridan avenue. He said this made his fourth attempt at suicide because the Queen woman refused to marry him.

THE ROOF CAVED IN.—A rotten joist in a building at 7502 South Broadway gave way Wednesday and a part of the roof and one wall caved in. The building is occupied by Mrs. Annie Paul, an aged and crippled widow, who conducts a millinery business. The damage is estimated at $200.

THE ARMENIAN PROBLEM.—The Young Men's Bible Class of the Lafayette Park Presbyterian Church, at their semi-monthly meeting, were entertained by an interesting lecture on the "Armenian Problem," by Rev. Dr. Harris.

HANDSOME COTTAGE BURNED.—Charles A. Baker's residence in the center of Webster Park was destroyed by fire Wednesday. The cottage had been finished only six months ago at a cost of $15,000. Mr. Baker was in the city at the time of the fire, and his wife is ill at the Deaconess' Home. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue. Mr. Baker is city salesman for the Graham Paper Co.

Spanish Cabinet to Resign.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—It is announced that the Cabinet has decided to resign to-morrow, owing to the fact that the recent popular demonstration against the Ministers of Finance, Justice and Public Works, who supported the municipal authorities.

Cannot Reach Cleveland.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Efforts to reach President Cleveland this afternoon with news of Thurman's death were unavailing. The President has not returned from his trip down the coast and at present is beyond the reach of telegraph.

To California

Via the Burlington Route. Only three days and three nights. Every meal in dining-cars. Ticket office, southwest corner Broadway and Olive street.

Injured Innocence.

From the Washington Star.

"Bobby," said the teacher in a Boston school, "I am surprised at you! You are usually so studious, and here you are drawing horrid, idle pictures on your slate."

"I beg your pardon, miss," replied the youth, with the hauteur of misunderstood genius, "but you are laboring under a misapprehension. This is not a horrid, idle picture. It is a design for a magazine poster."

LATEST NEWS OF NOTED PEOPLE.

The late Baron Tauchnitz, the great publisher, was so popular among his empolyes and so just to them that a strike never occurred in his establishment.

One of the most charming young women in English society is engaged, it is said, to Arthur Balfour, author, statesman and (heretofore) determined bachelor.

Earl Fitzwilliam is one of England's octogenarian noblemen, having been born on Oct. 12, 1815. He has enjoyed his earldom for thirty-eight years, having succeeded his father on Oct. 4, 1857.

Prince Hadima of Africa will attend the African Congress at the Atlanta Exposition next month. He is a graduate of the University of London and belongs to a powerful family of Sierra Leone.

A check for £5,000 has been sent to the famous English cricketer, Dr. W. G. Grace, representing the 100,000 shilling subscriptions to the testimonial started for him by the London Daily Telegraph.

John Livingstone, a brother of Dr. Livingstone, the African explorer and missionary, is visiting his son, who lives in Fremont, Wash. He is 86 years old.

John Ruskin has so far regained his physical strength that the frequently walks eight miles a day without serious fatigue. His mind is clearer than it was, but he says he can never do any more writing.

Ex-Empress Eugene has the smallest feet among the distinguished women of Europe. When her white satin shoes were sent to an orphanage she patronized, they were worn by children 11 and 12 years of age.

Queen Victoria is described as being somewhat untidy in appearance, and her dress not only dowdy but often dusty and askew. Yet her natural dignity is so great that one seeof at a glance that no ordinary woman is before him.

On the third birthday the little Princess Louisa of Germany, the only daughter of the German Emperor and Empress, received gifts from the Queen, the King and the Queen of Italy, the Prince and the Princess of Wales and the Duke and the Duchess of York.

King Menelik of Abyssinia, according to Mr. Flad, a German missionary, is surrounded by French and Russian agents. He asserts that he will whip the Italians, and then, crossing the Red Sea, will free Jerusalem from the direct descendant of David and Solomon.

Notwithstanding her advanced age, Queen Victoria always drive out in an open carriage, even when the weather is cold or wet. But she is wrapped about with innumerable rugs, and when it rains one of the Highland servants sitting behind the carriage holds an enormous umbrella over her head.

Lord Sesconsfield's brother still survives, a kindly old gentleman, who was for many years Clerk in the House of Lords. After retiring from his clerkship Ralph Disraeli was for a time in constant attendance in the lobby of the House of Commons. He bears no resemblance to his more eminent brother.

An interesting discovery has been made in London that will please lovers of Charles Wesley. In a pile of papers at the Conference Office, City Road, many unpublished hymns and poems in Wesley's handwriting have been found. Many of the poems are political and relate to the American Revolution.

DU CHAMBRUN—NICHOLS.

Attache of the French Legation Weds Mrs. Storer's Daughter.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 12.—At noon today at the Church of the Holy Angels on East Walnut Hill was solemnized, according to the rites of the Catholic Church, the marriage of Miss Margaret Rives Nichols, daughter of the late George Ward Nichols and his wife, formerly Maria Longworth, now the wife of the Hon. Bellamy Storer, late member of Congress of the First Ohio district, and Louis Charles Antoine Guilbert Pierre Pinton, Marquis du Chambrun, a prominent attache of the French Legation at Washington, D. C.

The attendants were the bride's cousin, Miss Clara Longworth and M. De Schoenen, a cousin of the groom. Mr. Joseph Nichols, brother of the bride, Mr. Nicholas Longworth, her cousin, Mr. Frederick Coudert of New York, Mr. Horace Wiley of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Harold Binney of Philadelphia were the ushers. Fr. O'Rourke officiated, assisted by Bishop Keane of Washington, D. C., Archbishop Elder and Fr. Ault.

The bridal gown was a superb Paris creation of heavy white satin with a long, sweeping train and bodice, gracefully draped with soft falls of chiffon. The maid's gowns was also of white satin trimmed with chiffon. After the ceremony a reception was given at the Rockwood, the fine old Longworth homestead, where the Storers live when in Cincinnati. The house decorations were all in green and white. Over 200 invitations were issued.

EDITOR'S HEAVY SENTENCE.

Given Two Years and Fined $250 for Publishing Obscenity.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—Judge Baker of the Federal Court to-day sentenced James B. Wilson, editor of the People, a weekly journal, to two years' in the penitentiary and fined him $250 for sending the paper, which contained much obscene matter, through the mails.

Case Against Walker Dismissed.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 12.—The last of the criminal cases growing out of the wrecking of the First National Bank was finally disposed of this morning in the United States District Court. Creed T. Walker, who was indicted with Allis and Kupferle was to have been tried to-day on one of the counts of the indictment charging him with making false returns. When his case was called on motion of District Attorney House it was dismissed.

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HARD ON LEGISLATORS

In Minnesota They Cannot Resign to Take Public Offices.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 12.—The Supreme Court to-day rendered a decision in the case of the State against Boiler Inspector Sutton. The case was to determine the right of a member of the Legislature to resign and take a public position during the two years for which he was elected. It was alleged that this was in contravention of the State Constitution. The Supreme Court holds this view and the decision is against Sutton. It is a far-reaching decision and one which will have a bearing on many occupants of public offices, who were members of the late Legislature.

THE IRON TRADE.

Little Change Noted in the Pig Iron Market.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—The Iron Trade Review this week will say:

The Central West furnishes the most cheering news of the week. Four more big freighters have been placed at Lake shipyards in the last three days, making fourteen for the week, involving a demand upon the mills for about 35,000 tons of plates and shapes. As was to be expected, this business brought out some close competition and recent quotations were cut, but the most important fact is that deliveries were to begin at once and the mills taking the bulk of the material will thus be better able to maintain prices in a time always marked by weakness. There is little change in the pig iron situation. All irons are weaker, Bessemer going a trifle below the $12 mark. Valley Furnace, in a few speculative transactions. Thus far no sales are reported by furnaces at less than $12.25 in the valley for the first quarter of 1896; but recent business on this basis would probably not exceed 10,000 tons, though on some $12 iron deliveries run through July. While actual sales of billets are limited to the 1,000-ton and 500-ton lots, on which $17 Pittsburg and somewhat less has been done, inquiries are out which indicate that a few important consumers, notably in Cleveland, are convinced that the buying time is now.

SUSPECTED OF CARELESSNESS.

Lindell Motorman and Conductor Give Conflicting Testimony.

The Coroner began the inquest to-day over Michael Noonan, the teamster killed by a Lindell electric car on Washington and Twenty-second street Wednesday morning. Several witnesses were examined.

The testimony of Motorman J. D. Curtis and Conductor L. Ealman conflicted so as to lead to the belief that the motorman was careless. He claims to have sounded the gong and applied the brakes, but did not reverse the current until he saw that a collision was inevitable.

The examination was continued until the Coroner could make a personal examination of the locality of the accident.

Not a Trust.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Attorney General Hancock has denied the application for permission to begin proceedings for the dissolution of the American Wall Paper Co. of New York on the ground that it is a trust.

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LEGAL.

ESTATE of Emma A. Heitmeyer, Deceased—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis on the seventh day of November, 1895.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year after the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they will be forever barred.

Dated this twentieth day of November, 1895.

ALBERT H. HEITMEYER.
OSCAR F. HEITMEYER.
Executors of Emma A. Heitmeyer, Deceased.
RICHARD F. KOSTER, Notary, 34 and 9 Market sts. 6974

ESTATE of Frederick Lauwerskie, Deceased—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Frederick Lauwerskie, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis on the thirty-first day of October, 1895.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they will be forever barred.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1895.

SOPHIA LAUWERSKIE.
Executrix of Frederick Lauwerskie, Deceased.
RICHARD F. KOSTER, Notary, 34 and Market sts. 6975

IN the matter of the assignment of the American Knife & Razor Co.—All persons interested in the above entitled estate are hereby notified that the undersigned assignee will, on the 11th day of January, 1896, file his petition in the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis, praying for his discharge as assignee of the American Knife & Razor Co., at which time and place you may attend and file your exceptions to my petition if you see proper.

DAVID KING,
Assignee American Knife & Razor Co.
BUFORD L. DELANO, Attorney.
Nov. 21, 1895. 6923

COMMISSIONER'S Sale in Partition—Margaret A. Kelly vs. Kate Lyons and John Lyons, 32,973. By virtue of a decree and order of sale issued by the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, in the above cause of date July 12, 1895, the undersigned, as special commissioner, will sell according to law, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court-house, City of St. Louis, on the

23D DAY OF JANUARY, 1896,

Between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m., the following property, situated in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, to-wit: Lots numbered 3, 2 and 1, of block number 10, of Wyman's Fourth addition of the City of St. Louis, Missouri, as per amended plat thereof, on record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for said city, said block being bound by a line commencing at the south line of Wagner avenue, by a depth southwardly on the east line of lot numbered 1 of 144 feet 5½ inches, on the west line of lot numbered 3 of 307 feet 4½ inches, and are bounded north by Wagner avenue, west by the Narrow Gauge railroad, on the south by the property or formerly owned by one Flaherty, east by Hodiamont avenue, and being the same lots conveyed by Phillip Smith and wife to Mary Stack, Kate Lyons and James Stack and Mary Stack to Kate Lyons, as recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the City of St. Louis, on August 16, 1893, on the following terms: One-third in cash, the balance in one and two years, the deferred payments secured by a deed of trust on said property, to bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, with privilege to the purchaser of paying all cash, provided he elects to do so, before the sale, at the office of the court.

HOWARD TAYLOR,
4979 Special Commissioner, 1 N. Broadway.

ESTATE of Michael Reinehl, Deceased—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Michael Reinehl, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis, on the 16th day of May, 1895.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance, within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they will be forever barred.

Dated, this 11th day of December, 1895.

BARBARA REINEHL,
6967 Executrix of Michael Reinehl, Deceased.

EXHIBITS OF THE NEGROES.

Monument to Their Material Progress Seen at Atlanta.

EXPOSITION CONTRIBUTIONS.

From the Dahomey Village Savagery to Banking, Invention, Fine Arts and Educational Progress.

Some of the visitors to the Exposition in Atlanta coming from districts where knowledge of the negroes is gained chiefly from novels and sensational newspapers have expressed disappointment that their exhibit was not more characteristic of the race, as if they still expected to see evidences of a rude and barbarous people. Let those who wish to see uncivilized Africans wend their way to the Dahomey village, and then they will find savages, pure and simple, but the difference between them and the American negro was most aptly expressed by an old Georgia mammy herself. Viewing the black, half-clothed, unkempt natives, she said, with disgust written on her countenance, 'Ugh! dey makes me ashamed to call myse'f a nigga."

There is pathos in the fact that it has been the old mammy in the South who has betrayed the greatest interest and an almost childist enthusiasm in this exposition of negro progress. She knows that for her there can be no material advancement, but she remembers the old heartburnings and vain cravings to be "like white folks" in slavery days, and to see now her children and her children's children advancing in the respect of men, their worth acknowledged not only by the Northerner who freed her, but by the Southerner who was once her master, is a delight which the younger generation cannot comprehend.

Of all the exhibits that of the negroes is the most unique, and naturally of especial interest. The building itself was put up by the Exposition company, who sympathized with the colored people in their desire to make a worthy display of their progress, and the contractor, the workmen employed in its construction, the men and women in charge of the different exhibits, the chief of the entire department—I. Garland Penn—are all negroes, and this exhibition of what they have achieved is not only creditable, but wonderful.

Their chief aim has been to show the capabilities and ingenuity of their race, even in uncivilized condition, together with their manual skill and intellectual progress when given ordinary advantages and training. To this end Bishop H. M. Turner has brought direct from Africa a large collection of curios gathered from the natives of Monrovia and Sierra Leone. Some of these specimens of handicraft are really works of art, some are excellent examples of their powers of invention, others prove their innate belief in a higher power, while all are interesting, even if not shown in connection with the advancement of the American negro. That which first attracts the attention is a beautiful quilt, the work of Mrs. Ricks, a civilized native African. This specimen of needlework is made of red, white, and green silk representing the coffee tree in bloom, and is the fac-simile of one made by the same person and presented to Queen Victoria. There is also a sacred robe made of flax, which is worn by the native priests. In appearance it is similar to a surplice, and is embroidered in figures, each of which has some special significance. A black embroidered bag is shown, which is used by a native Mohammedan priest to carry his manuscript in, and is considered very holy and sacred.

A prayer is engraved on a smooth board in curious hieroglyphics only understood by a favored few. Evidences of their inherent superstition are peculiar charms, some of fur worn on the arm to guard against danger in war, others worn on the neck, and still others to be worn around the waist. There are spoons which are invariably carried by each individual for fear of being conjured by using that of another. Slave whips have six knoted leather straps, and one is short and tipped with a black brush which is carried as a sign of royalty. There are curious needlebooks, handbags, leather water bottles which are used in war, an African war drum, or "dan-tom," ornamented elk powderhorns, swords, war knives, besides sandals, immense hats for both men and women, and bracelets made of black porcelain and elephant hoofs. But their greatest skill is shown in hand-woven mattings and luxurious hammocks, carved calabashes used as dishes, carved canes, and the wooden image of a man who had done some great deed, which proves that even the natives have artistic talents lying dormant only for the want of proper development.

Near to this exhibit is that of the Georgia negroes, one corner being reserved mostly for the work of the older ones who have been slaves. There is a large display of canned fruits, preserves, jellies and pickles, so delicious in appearance as to make one long to taste them—all the work of one woman—the wife of Elijah Bass. A large rug is woven by another, with the figure of a lion, all the colors of which were selected according to her own judgment. A beautiful mosaic table has been constructed of thirty-five different Georgia woods, which the owner says he put together on the "crazy" patchwork plan, and contains in all 736 pieces. A white spread has been knitted entirely of cotton wrapping twine, which came around packages from time to time. Not a piece was bought. A "tidy" was made on the same plan, with colored twine, nicely shaded.

A silk quilt, made by a woman nearly 70 years of age, is composed of at least 1,000 pieces, and patience must have been her watchword. Another neatly made quilt with the letter B in each square, was made by a blind woman. But the question asked by the exhibitor in charge of each interested spectator is, "Have you seen the Biblical quilt?" It seems to be her especial pride and the admiration of all cultured visitors. It was made long ago by a poor, ignorant slave, who could not read, and whose only knowledge of the Bible was the stories told her by others more fortunate.

Each square represents one of these stories, and the result would be amusing if it were not curious as a study of the impressions of an unenlightened mind when told of things she cannot understand. The foundation is made of pink calico, and the figures are then stitched on. There is Satan amid the seven stars. Satan himself made of the blackest material that could be found. Jacob's dream is represented by an angel with wings strongly resembling the modern sleeve, and a wonderful ladder with a figure lying at the foot. There is Cain when he went in the land of Nod to get him a wife, surrounded by numerous animals, and a card attached imparts the information that "the yellow animal is a lion." The Last Supper is represented by several light figures and one dark, which is Judas. The Crucifixion, however, is the most curious of all; her idea of darkness over the earth being represented by two black balls hovering just over the three figures on the crosses.

Another quilt is exhibited by the daughter of a woman who made it, and written on a card are these words: "This quilt was made by my mother in the dark days of slavery, while my father held the torch for her to sew." Here are also spreads the cotton of which was picked, carded, and spun by the same persons who wove them; old-fashioned cookery in a glass case, and old blue china which have been given by mistress to maid in days of affluence and luxury.

There are several specimens of the ingenuity of the colored boy. One of these is a miniature brick house, the brick themselves having been made by the young builder. Another little house is made of cornstalks by a Tennessee boy who had never been to a city till he carried his work to Nashville. He cut the cornstalks in round flat pieces, fastened them together making a mansard roof, and furnishing the tiny building with cornstalk furniture, the entire work, which occupied a year in its construction, being done with a 10-cent Barlow knife. A miniature engine, which attracts much attention, was also made by a boy from Athens, Ga. It is a locomotive, perfect in every detail, measuring about 7 feet in length, weighing 70 pounds, and carrying 100 pounds of steam. A bicycle is exhibited, every part of which the chain was constructed by a colored boy living at Chilhowie, Va. He seems to have a peculiar talent in the inventive line, this being one of three which he has turned out. It is said that he has no tools or machinery with which to work, save those which he makes himself from materials which have been discarded as worthless on the farm where he lives.

W. B. Smith, also of Virginia, has built a model of the United States gunboat Raleigh which compares most favorably with those shown in the Government building.

The exhibits of the schools necessarily take up the majority of the space, as it has been through them that the average negro has developed into a useful citizen, and these displays are the products of students, showing their diversified talents. It is a surprise to find that there are so many of them, six alone being located in Atlanta. Each of these shows its individual plan of work, giving specimens of what is accomplished, and the Spelman Seminary exhibit is characterized by a daintily furnished room as an example of their training school for nurses. The negro is instinctively a good nurse, being gentle, apt, and sympathetic, and the scientific training is a departure which results in an especial advantage to them.

Each Southern State is represented by its schools, besides several from the District of Columbia. Howard University having a fine display, being the only colored school in the country supported entirely by the Government. The Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute has the largest and finest exhibit of all, and is, perhaps, the leading colored school in the world. The principle upon which it is founded is that of "self-help," and it would seem from the work shown that there is no department in either the industrial or academic line that is not successfully taught. The academic work is represented by a large screen which shows the methods and results in their teaching. Special attention is given to the department of agriculture, and a large glass case containing specimens illustrates the manner of teaching the art of scientific farming. A beautiful, hand-carved mahogany mantel, a handsome oak hall set, and several articles of furniture are examples of the students' skill in cabinet work. A case of finely finished steel tools also attracts much attention, as does also a light pony phaeton and a trotting buggy. A school uniform and a suit of citizens' clothes, shirts and overalls, two dresses, several suits of underwear, specimens of darning, buttonholes, and patching show the finish work in every detail in the tailoring and dressmaking departments.

It is a great work that Hampton is accomplishing, and while there is an endowment fund of $30,000 yearly $75,000 more is necessary, which, I am told, is given largely by generous citizens of Boston.

As a direct result of their training, Prof. Booker T. Washington founded the Normal and Industrial Institute at Tuskegee, Ala. The late Gen. Armstrong, who has done so much for the enlightenment of both young Indians and negroes, has often said that "if Hampton had done nothing else worthy of praise he should have been fully repaid in the training and commissioning of so remarkable and useful a man as Booker Washington." The exhibit of this school which, by the way, is located in the very midst of what is known as the Black Belt of Alabama, would have attracted attention, even if its principal had not lately sprung into such wide prominence, but now it is the object, not only of idle curiosity, but of deep and appreciative interest. Here, also, one sees that the underlying principle of the institute is to combine labor with study, and develop thrift and industry as well as intellect. It is learned that there are fifty-two buildings belonging to the school, sixty-five teachers employed, and twenty-eight different trades taught.

In the agricultural line there are specimens of oats, sugar-cane, cotton, millet, pumpkins, corn and seeds, and a large display of canned fruits and vegetables. The climate of Alabama making bee culture profitable, there are many jars of clear golden honey. A large portion of the school land being beds of clay the brickmaking is one of the industries, and samples of these are shown. There are complete sets of hand-carved furniture, carriages, wagons and wheelbarrows from the wheelwright shop; steel tools from the blacksmith shop; tin sets and bright kitchen utensils from the tin-shop; well-made shoes from the shoe-shop; sets of hand-made harness from the harness shop and specimens of books from the printing department. Then there are suits of clothes from the tailoring department, neatly finished dresses, and a fine display of all kinds of fancy work. There are also exhibits showing the work of theological and medical schools, the largest of the latter being that of the Meharry Medical College of Nashville, Tenn., which is under the care of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The abilities of colored men as financiers are a matter of surprise to many of the visitors, and the exhibits of banking houses attract considerable attention. There is one in the South Carolina department—that of the South Carolina Banking Association in Florence. Another is from Richmond, Va., and gives interesting information as to its financial condition. This is the first colored savings bank, was founded by W. W. Browne of Georgia, and reports a surplus of $25,000 and an amount to the credit of depositors of over $60,000.

In a portion of the building, quite by itself, is an exhibit of the patents of colored men. This, the negroes say, does not do them justice. Some of these, however, have been quite successful and brought the inventors in a handsome revenue. Among them are the Reynolds car ventilator, which is in use on the Pullman cars, a fire-escape ladder by J. R. Winter, a lubricator by E. J. McCoy, an overshoe for horses by Robert Coates, and Hillyer's evaporating pan for hot-air registers. This exhibit is in charge of the wife of Henry L. Bailey, she herself having prepared a cook-book which she sells as a souvenir of the exposition.

The largest art exhibit is that of the Amateur Art Club of Washington. In this collection are crayons, pastels, and oil paintings, conspicuous among which are portraits of Frederick Douglass and Blanche K. Bruce, and a painting of a French battlefield called "Abandoned." A particularly fine display of photography is the work of Miss Daniel Freeman. The statuary is by W. C. Hill and shows rare talent, especially as he has never had a lesson given him. The plaster cast of the "Negro with Chains Broken, but Not Off," represents a tall, brawny African looking intently at the chains which are asunder, but still confining his wrists. The idea expressed is typical of the condition of the colored race for years after their emancipation. "The Obstinate Shoe" is worthy of the praise it receives, as is also the bust of Douglass.

A bust of Charles Sumner not in the above collection is pointed to with pride by the negroes, it having been executed by Edmonia Lewis, a colored sculptor of unusual talent, who is now residing in Rome. The work of still another distinguished artist is a painting by H. O. Tanner, which has been lent by its present owner, R. C. Ogden, of the firm of John Wanamaker, Philadelphia. Tanner is now located in Paris, and it is said that his work in the last salon received quite a complimentary notice. In the North Carolina exhibit is a painting entitled "Pharaoh's Horses," by a 14-year-old boy named W. E. Penn.

The attainments of the negroes in the line of literature, however, are perhaps a truer proof of their intellectual abilities than anything else could possibly be, and in an exhibit marked "Miscellaneous" are some seventy books which have been written by colored men and women.

There have been 190 books published by them altogether since the war, and as some of these books went through several additions entirely on their own merits, their authorship being unknown, it cannot be said that sentiment ruled their reading. This, only thirty years after a period when it was a criminal offense to even teach a slave his letters! What could be more significant of what the negro will be in the future?

Northern visitors seem to be especially interested in the negro exhibit, and it is natural that they should be so. Those who fought to free what they felt to be an oppressed race, those who have since given largely and freely pecuniarly aid toward their civilization and education, and those who have spent years of active service in their behalf, all view with peculiar pride the visible proofs of the success which has crowned their efforts.

Saved Himself.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

"What did you mean, sir," asked the potentate, "by alluding to me in the royal kitchen yesterday as His Nobs?"

"I merely meant," murmured the court jester into the depths of the real tiger-skin rug at the foot of the throne, "that your Royal Highness was something to adore."

And the potentate, who had never read an almanac in his life, let it go at that.

CAPITAL OF THE AZORES.

Characteristics of the Third Island of the Archipelago.

ANGRA ON TERCEIRA ISLE.

Old-Time Refuge for Discomfited Portuguese Monarchs and Still Loyal to That Crown.

When the Portuguese mariner who first sighted this archipelago came upon the third island in the order of discovery he named it Terceira, Castilian for "third." Although by no means the largest island of the group it ranks first in the political history of the Azores, as well as in the estimation of the mother country and the hearts of the islanders. Settled in the sixteenth century, it was made the capital of the group, partly on account of its central position and also because it has the safest roadstead of all the islands excepting Fayal, which lies too far westward for equal legislation. Terceira is about twenty-one miles long by twelve broad, and its population is now estimated at 60,000. Environed by rocky promontories it looks from the sea very much like Fayal, but closer observation discloses radical differences. Instead of the cones, craters, and bifurcated peaks which distinguish the other islands and exhibit such strong evidences of comparative recent volcanic eruptions its 170 miles of rugged coast line inclose many beautiful plateaus from 3,000 to 4,000 feet above the sea, all its mountain tops being flattened out into broad plains, says an Angra correspondent in the Chicago Inter-Ocean. Doubtless Terceira, like the rest of them, has had its volcanic eruptions, but at a period so remote that their vortexes have filled up by the gradual operations of time. The level craters and entirely decomposed lava show that the volcanoes were spouting away many centuries before those of Fayal and Pico were tossed up from the ocean. Terceira has no boiling or mineral springs, such as have made its neighbors famous, but it abounds in grain fields, orange and lemon groves, rich pasturage and fine cattle.

The port of Angra is situated much like that of Horta, the great headland which protects it, called Monte do Brazil, being the counterpart of Fayal's Monte da Guia—both presenting precipitous fronts to the sea, sloping sharply backward and connected with the mainland by a strongly fortified isthmus. The Monte do Brazil is the pride and boast of the Angreuses, having been more than once the refuge of runaway Portuguese kings during peninsular revolutions. It is perhaps three miles in circumference, forming the Bay on the west. Its 600 foot high summit bears the inevitable signal station of these ports—this one a tall wooden cross with a basket attached, which is pulled up and down to announce a vessel's approach. The isthmus is entirely occupied by the castle of St. John the Baptist, the principal fortress of the island, in itself a considerable village, housing upward of 2,000 souls, including the garrison. The unhappy Don Alfonso VI. spent five years of his life inside of those old castle walls when deposed by the Cortes and his brother Dom Pedro II., and his imperial coat-of-arms may still be seen above the doorway of his sleeping apartment. St. Sebastian, the second fortification which defends the port of Angra, so called in honor of its founder, the ill-fated monarch of that name, is situated on the east side of the bay, where its artillery crosses with that of San Antonio. There is also a subterranean passage to a battery upon a rock, against which the sea breaks with fury, whose guns cover the port, and the whole coast as far as Feteira; and taken altogether Terceira's fortifications, although musty and out of date like everything Portuguese, would render the approach of a hostile fleet rather hazardous, to say the least.

Evidences of the martial spirit of the islanders and their loyalty to the fortunes of the Portuguese crown abound on every hand. The name of the place, Angra do Heroismo ("Bay of Heroism"), was bestowed by a grateful sovereign for value received, as was also the city's proud title, Siempre leal, meaning always loyal. After the popular acclamation of Dom Antonio, prior of Crato, the Portuguese throne, to which there had already been nine "pretenders," was usurped by Philip II. of Spain. Terceira resisted his power bravely for several years, but at last, in 1583, she succumbed to the Spanish fleet of ninety sail, under the famous Marquis de Bazan. After more than half a century of submission to the hated Spanish rule Dom João IV. was proclaimed king, as he had been in Portugal, and the Spaniards expelled from the island. The third important struggle, which earned for the city the epithet, "do Heroismo," occurred in the present century, when the citizens declared themselves supporters of the claims of Dona Maria de Gloria, against her uncle, Dom Miguel, the despotic regent, who was finally overthrown and expelled from the kingdom. It took six years of hard fighting in Portugal to down this sturdy usurper, but in Terceira the central struggle lasted less than four months. Dona Maria resided in Angra during these years, having, in 1830. A few miles east of this port is a coast village which has received the high-sounding title of Praia da Victoria, "Beach of Victory," where several victories were gained over foreign would-be usurpers. The plain adjoining the pier is named Largo do Marco 5, "Square of March 5th," in commemoration of the day of Alfonso's arrival; and the visit of Dom Pedro V. is kept in affectionate remembrance by a tall monument with pyramidal shaft, set upon a hill in the outskirts of the city.

There are other peculiarities which render Terceira superior to its neighbors. Angra is in many respects the finest looking city in the Azores. One striking superiority is in its sidewalks, which in some places are actually wide enough for two people to walk abreast. Its streets are broader and more modern, and the buildings that line them handsomer. Its whitewash looks whiter, its paint bluer, pinker, yellower than elsewhere. Its cathedral is the largest, its churches the best and most numerous, and to crown all and cap the climax of Asorean glory it is the only city in the archipelago which can boast a genuine bull ring, where regular fiestas de touros take place. The cathedral occupies an eminence in the center of the city, its foundations laid in a flagged yard, with a parapet and flight of stone steps leading up from the street. There are three arched doorways in this whitewashed facade, with a high tower on either side of a pediment, wherein is a clock which from time out of mind has refused to tell the hours. The interior would be impressing were it not for the tawdry gilding which defaces all these Portuguese sanctuaries. Arches of beautiful construction and two rows of lofty pillars running the whole length of the building support the roof. On each side are four altars, and the chapel of the high altar at the farther end is arched in hewn stone, its dome supported by six gilded columns. Close by the high altar is the tomb of Ponte de Gama, who visited the island in 1497, in company with his illustrious brother, Vasco da Gama, on their return from a voyage to the Indies, and Ponto got no further, at least in the dead. Connected with the cathedral is a rather interesting annex wherein the vestments and occasional images and church treasures are kept and where the bishop and priest hold their conferences. Ranged in chronological order around its walls are the portraits of all the bishops who have officiated here since the first one came 350 years ago. In the way of art they are a curious study. Some were painted in Lisbon and some on the spot by native artists and those of the fifteenth century are quite as good as those of the nineteenth.

The only inn of the island, the Hotel Terceirense, faces the main plaza in its gaudy garb of whitewash and red, blue and yellow paint. From front to rear and top to bottom, from vile odors and buggy beds and, the unquestionable components of its menu it is as Portuguese as anything to be found in Portugal, dirty and comfortless beyond compare. The only entrance is through a dim zaguao (answering to the Spanish patio, or inner court), which is used as a wine vault, and is full of musty hogsheads and sour smells, accurately betokening the condition of things beyond.

The aristocracy par excellence of the Azores resides at Angra, including his holiness the Bishop, and the Governor General of the island, and titles are as thick as colonels in Kentucky. On pleasant days the streets and public squares present an animated appearance, the spacious shops displaying goods from Lisbon and Madrid, the wealthy merchants and wine dealers and gambling parlors, all with doors and windows wide open and doing a thriving business. But in rainy weather, which is so frequent in these islands, everything is closed and deserted, and in the evenings the dimly lighted streets are silent as the grave by early bedtime. The liveliest place in town is the market plaza in the early morning. There you see peasants in clean linen suits, with immense double collar buttons of Roman gold and funny little melon-shaped caps, of dark blue cloth with scarlet lappets turned up at the sides. Itinerant merchants, with their wares in huge wooden trays, or in baskets of braided rushes, carried on the head, or slung on poles over the shoulders, perambulate in many picturesque varieties of costume. The cream of society is of course Portuguese, and to see it at its best you should go to the central plaza about sunset.

Numerous Don Quixotes prance gayly about on little spirited island ponies, and crowds of pedestrians loiter under the oleander trees; the Governor-General, resplendent in gold lace; handsome, dark-skinned officers in gaudy sashes and uniforms of green and gold; elegantly dressed ladies, toddling painfully on French heels set in the middle of shoes several sizes too small; the more comfortable and generally better looking barefooted sisterhood who have no "style" to maintain—every shade and stratum of Azorean life. Everybody "of the male persuasion," as Mrs. Partington would say, big and little, afoot or on horseback, puffs diligently and without ceasing at the worst smelling cigarettes that the West Indies can produce. The Portuguese man or boy is never seen during his waking hours without this supposed luxury in his mouth, and his powers of expectoration are unsurpassed, even by cuspidor champions in the United States "Sunny South." In meeting the ladies kiss one another, first on the left cheek and then on the right, bobbing their heads from side to side in graceful unison, and woe betide the foreigner not accustomed to the salutation who bobs her head the wrong way and gets bumped for her awkwardness! The men also throw their arms around each other's shoulders and kiss squarely upon the mustache with resounding smacks like the popping of champagne corks. While Azoreans generally are of Portuguese origin, those of Terceira pride themselves particularly on sangre azul. The inhabitants of some of the other islands have more or less mixture of Flemish or Moorish blood, English, Scotch and Irish immigrants are also present in considerable numbers, especially in Fayal and San Miguel, and are said to be responsible for the blue eyes and freckles that disfigure some of the fairer younger countenances. There are also some negroes among the reputable citizens, but a little extra shade in the complexion and kink in the hair does not count for much among these swarthy people. Taken all in all they are a queer lot, among the aristocracy the manners of Lisbon prevail and regular court etiquettte is observed at assemblies and parties. Education is at a rather low ebb in all the islands, but less so at Terceira than elsewhere.

Among other institutions of learning at Angra is a college for the education of priests, which has at present over 100 students. The people appear to derive little benefit from the blessings which Providence has conferred upon them. For example, though the finest fish in the world abound almost at their doors, they prefer cod and dogfish and other salted (and often putrid) varieties brought from Newfoundland and the Mediterranean. Instead of their own beef and pork, which can hardly be excelled, they buy dry "jerk" and abominable bacon imported from Portugal and South America; and in lieu of their own unadulterated wine drink a vile spirit from Brazil and the West Indies, while the so-called better class substitute gaudy cotton prints and sleazy "mixed" goods from England for the admirable native linen.

Along with the other pernicious fashions from Lisbon the sports of the bull ring were imported. But the Portuguese fiesta de touros is not wildly exciting, as reproduced at Angra, the island bulls being very small and tame, and their horns well padded to prevent them from hurting anybody. The amphitheater where the contests take place, out in the suburb called Praca de San Joao, looks like a small circus ring. It is situated on the backward slope of a hill to prevent the small boys and children of larger growth from getting surreptitious unpaid-for peeps; the high, whitewashed walls toward the street supplied with shuttered windows and wooden doors, above which appear such inscriptions as "camarotes" (boxes) and "billetes de sombra" (seats for the shade). The latter is the equivalent for the American quarter for a seat in a box in the shade, and half that amount for the gallery, where the sun's rays pour in unhindered. In Terceira, as in Portugal, Spain and Mexico, the corrida de touros always takes place on Sunday, the general holiday. All the world and his wife, from the Governor-General down through the nobility, the priesthood, tradesmen and barefooted laborers, go first to mass and then throng the amphitheater later in the day. The military band furnishes music, yellow hand-bills assure the populace that "a gay time is sure to be had," and the audience enjoys itself after the fashion, probably because amusements are few. One is enthusiastic devotee of the bull fight imported a large animal from England to add zest to some special fiesta. Upon his debut in Azorean society the fierce bull killed his assailant at the first dash, then proceeded to the dizzy fence that encloses the arena and plunged in among the spectators, injuring several before his course could be checked. This was too much "sport" even for Terceirians, and since then the fighters have confined themselves to native stock.

Much more exciting are the impromptu fights occasionally held in rural villages to celebrate some special fiesta, patriotic or religious. They drive a wild bull up from the fields to some long, wide street and then close the thoroughfare at both ends. Up and down the beast rages, charging everything in sight, frequently compelling his tormentors to vault through some window left conveniently open. Sometimes the maddened brute storms a door and dashes into a house while its inmates shin up amongst the rafters. The young Terceirian's favorite method of convincing the sweetheart of his invincible courage is to sit on a chair in the middle of the street and let the bull charge full tilt, down upon him; then just at the right instant, for the slightest miscalculation means death, to leap up with the agility of a cat, seize the beast by the horns, and leap lightly over his back to safety, while he vents his baffled rage on the chair by reducing it to fine kindling wood.

FANNIE B. WARD.

With a Thimble.

From the Sunday Inter-Ocean.

(To Winifreda.)

A wee bit giftie, darling mine,
Upon your finger small to shine;
Beneath it on the web shall grow
The fairest flowers e'er did blow,
Forget-me-nots and daisies bright,
Clovers, and lilies pure and white,
And many a clambering, trailing vine
Beneath your hand shall sweetly twine.

And little stitches white and small
Shall go, like sheep, across a wall,
One after one, so tiny wee
Will take a microscope to see,
In laces, ruffles, finy white,
Like spider webs hung in moonlight.
Sweet snowy seams and hems galore,
Dainty as those Titania wore.

And when you put this thimble on,
With which this magic's to be done,
Oh! think of one, dear, as you sew
Who finds her utmost joy in you.
Of one who, since our meeting day
Has found you fair from June to May.
So as you sit with thimble bright
And needle flashing back the light,
Whate'er the fabric on your knee—
Sew in some thoughts of love for me.

ADA IDDINGS-GALE.

California Vintage.

Mr. E. H. Thompson, the Government entomologist of Tasmania, has made some very careful measurements of the growth of trees every three hours, with the following results:

From 6 a. m. to 9 a. m., 2 1-3 per cent of growth; from 9 a. m. to noon, 1 1-3 per cent of growth; from noon to 3 p. m., no growth; from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m., no growth; from 6 p. m. to 9 p. m., 1 1-3 per cent of growth; from 9 p. m. to 12 p. m., 3½ per cent of growth; from 12 p. m. to 6 a. m., 65 per cent of growth.

The greatest growths in twenty-four hours were: Banksia rose, 3½ inches; geranium, 3½ inches; wattle, 4 1-4 inches; apple, 3½ inches; pear, 1 1-3 inches.

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Some Economic Tips for Acquiring Matrimonial Felicity.

An interesting competition in the London Golden Penny on the most advantageous manner in which a young couple starting housekeeping can keep their expenditure within £200 a year has resulted in many noticeable solutions of a problem which certainly calls for a rather nice adjustment of ways and means. There were two prize-winners, one of whom sent the following rhymed answer, which we quote:

	£	s.	d.
First of all there's the rent, on the old-fashioned plan			
Of a tenth of one's income that's twenty per an.:	20	0	0
Then there's six pounds for taxes and rates (oh, it's cruel!)	6	0	0
And at least seven pounds ten for the gas and the fuel	7	10	0
They've a "slavey" of course, and they've some time to seek			
For a good one at less than six shillings a week,	15	12	0
Then he must be insured, for her sake, and be thrifty,			
So he pays for for three hundred, with profits at 50	11	15	0
And there's tax, say at sixpence each pound (and that's plenty)			
On the income he has o'er a hundred and twenty	2	0	0
You may reckon twelve pounds every year for her dress	12	0	0
But his ought to come in at a pound or so less	11	0	0
For the better half's "extras" allow two pounds ten	2	10	0
And for this—well, it costs rather more for us men!	6	0	0
As for journals, it's not very many you are reading,			
Say the Graphics, a local, and this you are reading	3	0	0
For new books and for tuning piano (a pound)	3	0	0
And three more for a gard'ner and and plants the year round	3	0	0
For the playhouse and concerts—it won't run to balls			
Say five pounds, if they keep from the front seats and stalls	5	0	0
As they can't afford golf on two hundred, we'll assume,			
Their out cricket and tennis, for which they will pay	2	0	0
Each a guinea.			
And then to the poor they should give			
From their income three pounds every twelvemonth they live.	3	0	0
And you'll find when these items are all added up			
More than half has been spent without bite or sup!			
* * * *			
With the grocer they'll spend just as much as ten cent	20	0	0
On fish, flesh and fowl that amount will be spent;	20	0	0
As for green stuff and fruit—well, five guineas at least;	5	5	0
For the baker that sum by a pound is increased;	6	6	0
Whilst for eggs, milk and butter, the farmer's account			
Will be sixteen pounds ten—that's no trifling amount.	16	10	0
The tea cozy by the sea when the holidays come			
Runs away back with a "tenner"—another big sum,	10	0	0
But it ends the account, and on looking it o'er			
You'll discover a surplus of six, ten and four	6	10	4
* * * *			
And you'll see how a couple (I trust very dear)			
May be happy, though wed, on "Two Hundred a Year."	200	0	0

An Appropriate Addition.

From Judge.

Twynn: "The Judge who sentenced that murderer this afternoon is evidently opposed to the carrying of bouquets to such criminals by silly women."

Triplett: "What did he say?"

Twynn: "After he had pronounced the usual sentence of death he added: 'No flowers.'"

A NATIONAL CHARACTERISTIC.

The late Prof. Boyesen in an article in the current North American Review says some clever things about what he calls the American curse of jocularity. He remarks:

"Some years ago at an annual examination in Columbia College I requested my students to write in German a brief account of their lives. To my astonishment more than half of the class took this request in jest. Of the thirty-two responses which I received seventeen were in a more or less jocular vein. One youth informed me that, as he had his eyes fixed on the White House, he did not like to handicap his future biographer by pinning him down to any stereotyping framework of biographical facts which might prove embarrassing to the manager of his campaign. It was so much more advantageous to leave one's biography in a state of convenient fluidity, until the time came when one could know for what purpose it would be needed. One could always invest a far more serviceable biography than circumstances were apt to provide. Another young gentleman declared that he had from the cradle been a monument of goodness and stupidity and related several touching incidents of his childhood which paroded with inimitable drollery the good boy of the Sunday-school story. In conclusion he expressed the hope that, in view of his moral superiority and his intellectual attainments, I would mark his paper 100 (limitations. I would mark his paper 100 without reference to its shortcomings, as he was the sole support of a widowed mother, a drunken father and nine orphaned children.

"I have wondered what was the primary cause of the jocularity which one encounters everywhere within the borders of the United States—and which is verily the only trait that the entire population has in common. Even the European immigrant who at home would scarcely have made a joke once a year finds himself gradually inoculated with the national virus, and surprises himself at attempts at wit which are probably more gratifying to himself than to his hearers. Having observed this phenomenon in the case of several Norwegians, who were surely far from being humorists in the old country, I came to the conclusion that the climate was in some way responsible. That our dry stimulating atmosphere arouses a high degree of cerebral activity is quite obvious; and humor is a form of mentality which involves a great complexity of brain and greater expenditure of cerebral force than a more unvarnished statement of fact. This alone may go far toward explaining a manifestation which, if I had not so frequently witnessed it, I should have pronounced absurd.

"It is to my mind a higher significant fact that humor is the only literary product which we export. Occasionally, to be sure, an American novel is translated into French and German, but generally speaking, our serious literature is in no great demand in any European country. The only contemporary American authors who have really an international fame are Bret Harte and Mark Twain. Their books, in atrocious flamboyant covers are to be found on every railway news-stand in England and on the continent. The Queen of Italy was reported some years ago to have asked an American if we had other living authors than Bret Harte and Mark Twain.

"I verily believe that the startling decay of eloquence in the United States, since the days of Webster, Calhoun and Clay, is largely due to our inability to be serious about serious things. We laugh now at the magnificent perorations of the great rhetoricians of the first half of the century, and a man has to have a very great name, indeed, in order to secure attention for a post-humorists oration on a matter of public concern."

GOOD POEMS OF THE DAY.

His Divinity.

From the Detroit Free Press.

I sit within the cushioned pew,
But must confess my thoughts pursue
A rather worldly course, in lieu
Of penitential fire.
Yet none within the edifice
In worshipping is less remiss—
My thoughts were tinged with heavenly bliss,
For Nellie's in the choir.

A witching figure, straight and trim,
She stands and carols forth the hymn,
She blushes 'neath her broad hat rim,
To see how I admire.
I watch her lovely pulsing throat,
Her dimples and her curls I note—
Celestial music seems to float,
For Nellie's in the choir.

In through the chancel window slips
A rosy sunbeam, and it sips
The sweetness of her laughing lips,
And never seems to tire.
And while the pastor does expound,
And lull his flock to slumber sound,
'Tis love that makes my world go round,
For Nellie's in the choir.

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DISEASED MEAT IN THE MARKET.

Health Commissioner Starkloff Makes an Alarming Statement.

HOG CHOLERA IS RAMPANT.

Under the Present Law It Is Impossible to Prevent the Sale of Infected Meat.

Health Commissioner Starkloff is greatly worried over the question of meat inspection and is doing what he can to push a bill through the Municipal Assembly extending the inspection so as to throw as many safeguards as possible about the sale of meat in butcher shops.

He admits that the inspection as at present conducted is a failure and that thousands of pounds of diseased meat are sold to local consumers every month. The markets just now are said to be full of the flesh of cholera-infected hogs and there is practically no way of preventing it under the ordinances. Hogs are reported to be dying in large numbers in Illinois, Texas and Missouri. The disease is said to be particularly virulent at present. The animals are sick but a short time and die in great agony.

It is quite possible, of course, to prevent such meat being dressed in the local slaughter-houses, but great quantities of it may be shipped in from the Chicago and Kansas City packing-houses with no means of detecting it at the command of the health authorities.

Meat infected in this way is particularly dangerous to the consumer. It is likely when eaten to breed a variety of diseases, among which is gastritis and cholera morbus.

"I am morally certain," said Dr. Starkloff, "that great quantities of infected meat are sold every week in St. Louis, and yet it is almost impossible to detect it. The only way in fact to ascertain the condition of meat exposed for sale is by a microscopic examination. Each carcass would have to be submitted to such a test, and with only four inspectors in the city's employ that is impossible. These four men have to visit every shop in the city and about all they can do is to condemn meat that is so tainted that no one would buy it anyway.

"By watching the slaughter houses we condemned 57,000 pounds of meat and eleven lumpy jawed cattle in November and yet we probably caught only a small percentage of the meat that should have been carted off.

"It is very hard to do anything with the butchers. If they want to sell diseased meat it is next to impossible to prevent it. An inspector goes into a shop and condemns a carcass, we will say. The butcher is told to remove it from his stall. He does so, but there is nothing in the world to keep the meat merchant from putting it right back on the hook and disposing of it the moment the inspector disappears. If a butcher knows meat is infected he can keep it in his cellar and take it out after his shop has been inspected.

"This is being done constantly, and I have found no way to stop it. Nor can any way be found so long as the Chicago and Kansas City packers are allowed to flood the market with the meat of diseased hogs and cattle. It comes in here every day by the car load, and is scattered from Baden to Carondelet. It is to be found in nearly every shop in the city, and goes to thousands of families. Many of the diseases now prevalent in this city could be traced directly to the consumption of this infected meat. Especially is this true of the flesh of hogs that are affected with cholera, which I am told is exceedingly prevalent just at this time.

"To raise the standard of inspection will cost money, but in order to broaden our scope there is a bill now pending in the House of Delegates. If it passes I think it will go a long way toward remedying the evil, but I am afraid that we will run up against the interstate commerce law, under which Chicago dumps a lot of bad meat on us. Until something is done people will suffer, and the death rate will keep up as it is."

The bill to extend the inspection will be considered by the Sanitary Committee of the House of Delegates Friday afternoon.

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NO POISON FOUND.

Autopsy and Inquest Held on the Body of Philip Schmitt.

Dr. H. L. Nietert completed the post-mortem examination of the viscera of Philip Schmitt and reported to Coroner Walt Thursday morning. He found no traces of arsenical poisoning. There was a slight erosion of the membrane of the stomach which might have resulted after death.

There was an old clot on the brain probably due to thrombosis of an indefinite period. Dr. Nietert's report concluded by saying that death resulted from congestion of the brain. Coroner Walt is holding the inquest this afternoon.

Mrs. Schmitt, who was detained at the Third District Police Station pending the investigation, testified that on Tuesday evening she and Mr. Schmitt partook of a hearty supper, after which they ate an apple which she claims was given to her by Dr. Parker. She said she was taking medicine and ate the apple to take the taste out of her mouth.

They went to bed and she was taken sick and vomited. Her husband held her head and he suddenly fell to the floor in a fit. She became dizzy and lapsed into unconsciousness and when she recovered found that Mr. Schmitt was dead.

Mrs. Schmitt testified that her husband was afflicted by epileptic fits and had five of them since they were married.

Their supper consisted of rutabagas, corn, potatoes and meat. She could not explain what made them sick.

The investigation was continued until 10 a. m. Friday in order to have an analysis made of the medicine found in the house by the police.

No evidence was given showing that Schmitt had been poisoned.

LABOR BLAMES THE LAWYERS

Chicago Attorneys Accused of Wanting to Make Fat Fees.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At the fourth day's session of the fifteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor the Secretary read a communication from the Trades and Labor Assembly of Chicago saying that the lack of harmony among the Trades Unions of Chicago was due to the interference of lawyers and others who sought to make capital and fat fees out of the labor movement, and requesting that the incoming Executive Council of the Federation appoint a comittee to establish the labor movement in Chicago upon a sound basis. The letter was referred to a special committee.

Chairman Klipitsky of the Rules Committee reported on a resolution approving of the bill of the Barber's Sunday closing law in this State and Illinois, and asked the Federation to aid in extending the law in other States. It was adopted.

A communication from the Typesetting Machine Machinists, which asked for shorter work hours, caused some comment. The Rules Committee decided to have the matter settled by the convention. It was claimed that this body of men should come under the head of the Typographical Union or the Machinists' Union. There is to be a conference of the various delegates interested in these matter to-night and a decision was deferred until after that time.

A communication was received from George Francis Train, who desired to address the convention. Upon motion of delegate Pomeroy of Chicago, his offer was accepted, and Mr. Train will be notified of the time he will be expected.

F. L. Sargent, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, was called upon for a speech, which he made. He said he hoped the day would come when all classes of workmen would be united in one body.

William F. Durflinger of Typographical Union No. 6, who had been appointed mediator between Hackett, Carhart & Co. and the United Garment Workers of America, reported that his efforts in that direction had been successful.

Hitmesd Pomeroy addressed the convention. While arguing that the Federation should not be made a political organization, he said its members should, however, study politics that they might take intelligent action on matters that concerned them. The government of this country today, he said, is neither Republican nor Democratic, but plutocratic. Labor could not greatly remedy abuses because corporations bar the way. Direct legislation would bring out the latent intelligence and strength of the people, and then the people would be responsible for their own progress and for the broadening of free institutions.

Samuel Gompers submitted a lengthy report of the visit of himself and Vice-President McGuire to the British Trades Council Convention at Cardiff, Wales, last September.

A resolution by Samuel Gompers against capital punishment was adopted.

A resolution by Delegate Andrew Furuseth of San Francisco protesting against the passage in Congress of the compulsory arbitration bill was adopted.

The following committee was appointed on eight-hour work day: S. H. Jacobson, New York; Owen Miller, Henry Weissman, Brooklyn; John C. Donnell, Chicago; Henry Barter, Detroit; George E. McNeill, Boston.

An Insurance Company for Wheelmen.

The American Wheelmen's Accident Association has been organized in Westfield, Mass. It is the intention of the company to solicit business from only the vast army of bicycle riders throughout the United States, but it will insure them against all manner of accidents.

F. H. Ingalls Is Ready. See Page 6.

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Our stock was never so complete—our prices never so low. Extra Salespeople—extra deliveries to insure prompt service—extra low prices and inducements to do your Christmas shopping now—when we can wait on you carefully—when you can make your selections in comfort. Come now and avoid the crush—push—jam—of Holiday Week. To make To-Morrow a Hummer we will offer you:

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Strictly All-wool Scotch Cheviots and Fancy Mixed Cassimeres sizes 3 to 8 years, deep sailor collar, Soutache trimming, worth $4; at this F. B. Q. Sale for $2.73

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Excellently trimmed and finished, grand wear-resisting materials, in blue and fancy cheviots, nicely braided, worth $5.00; at this F. B. Q. Sale for $3.50

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Single and Double Capes, Fancy Braided—
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Worth $10.00, at this F. B. Q. Sale for $6.50

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CHOICE of HUNDREDS of $14 and $15 OVERCOATS for $9.25
Fruitless in all particulars and fit for anyone to wear. You need not be a close observer to see these are exceptional values.

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Most extraordinary values. So much value for such a little price will surprise you.

CHOICE OF HUNDREDS of $22.50 to $25 OVERCOATS for $14.35
Qualities beyond compare at the price; make comparison with the $22.50 and $25 goods elsewhere. Ours are as good if not better.

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Merits equal to merchant tailors' $40 to $50 suits, at $17.70

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A Beautiful DOLL FREE!

With every purchase of Infants', Child's, Misses' or Ladies' Shoes we give a coupon entitling the holder to share in Prize Drawing for a Magnificent Doll, valued at $85, drawing for which will take place at our store Christmas Day. Doll on exhibition now in our Show Window.

With every purchase of Men's, Boys' or Youths' Shoes we give a coupon enabling holder to share in a Prize Drawing for Boy's High Grade Bicycle, which will take place at our store Christmas Day. Bicycle now on exhibition in our Show Window.

Ladies' Dongola Button and Lace Patent Leather Tip, all sizes and widths, Opera, London and Square Toe.
Shoe Store price $2.00 and $2.50. Famous Price ..... $1.50 and $2.00

Ladies' Genuine Fine Dongola Lace and Button Patent Leather Tip, size 2½ to 7, width AA to E, needle, razor and narrow square toes, hand-turn and Goodyear welt.
Shoe Store price $3.00 and $4. Famous Price ..... $2.50 and $2.95

Ladies' French Dongola, Hand-sewed Turn and Welts, Patent Leather Tip, Fancy trim and Patent Leather Heel Foxing. A beautiful shoe, width AA to E, size 2 to 7, made in 20th Century, Needle, Razor, Narrow Square, "Vassar" and "Dunraven" lasts. Shoe Store price $5.00 and $6.00. Famous Price $4.00

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Our sale of Choice Millinery Goods and Novelties at One-Half, One-Third and One-Quarter Original Cost, goes merrily on and bargain hunters are made happy by the hundreds daily. Come early. It will pay you.

A beauty—Children's Set Rings, worth 50c 19c

RINGS—You can buy one from 5c to $10.00

RINGS—With fancy stone settings, plain band rings and that beautiful mineral set ring, special bargain, worth 50c to $1.00 ..... 25c

RINGS—Holiday Gift, solid gold, with fine stone settings; also the new Hansel and Gretel Ring, with center stone of sapphire, rubies, emeralds and turquoise, surrounded by diamonds, worth up to $2.00 ..... 49c

RINGS, GENUINE DIAMOND—Sold by jewelers for from $7.50 to $15.00, choice of 25 styles settings $3.50

EARRINGS—250 pair brilliant set earrings in drop or screw styles, worth 50c 25c

2 gross Solid Gold brilliant set Earrings, worth $1.00 ..... 49c
Better grades from 75c to $3.50

NECK CHAINS—4 gross Neck Chains, with fancy pendants, worth 50c 25c

2 gross Neck Chains, fox tail patterns, with beautiful pendants, worth $1.00 ..... 49c
See our great values from 25c to $5.00 in these goods.

SHELL HAIR ORNAMENTS—We can furnish you a fancy Hair Ornament for a lady, at from 5c to $7.50.

Special—10 gross new fancy designs Hair Ornaments, Italian shell, all new designs, worth 50c 25c

6 gross Hair Ornaments, in real shell designs, worth 75c to $1.00 ..... 49c

BROOCHES—3 gross, all new designs, made to sell at from 50c to $1.00, all put into one lot, choice 25c

FANS. Always a useful and acceptable present from 25c to $15.00.

FANS—Empire styles; also large Feather Fans, worth from 50c to 75c 25c

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POCKET KNIVES. All our Knives are put up one in a fancy box, a useful and beautiful present, from 19c to $2.50.

KNIVES—Special—4 gross Fancy Pearl and Ivory handle, worth 35c 19c

STERLING SILVER KNIVES, 2 blades, worth 65c 39c

PICTURE FRAMES—75 dozen assorted Miniature Frames, in fancy designs, worth up to 75c 25c

DOLL HATS 9c

RIBBONS. Buy your Holiday Ribbons now —1000 yards all bright new shades No. 5 Good Silk, Satin and Gros-Grain Ribbons, worth 8c yard 5c

1200 yards Nos. 12 and 16 Good Silk, Satin and Gros-Grain Ribbon, every good popular shade, worth 20c a yard 10c

1500 yards 5 inches wide Satin and Gros-Grain Ribbon, in choice holiday shades, worth 40c a yard 19c

VEILINGS—Plain and Chenille Dot Double Width Veilings, worth 25c a yard 19c

ICE WOOL SHAWLS—Extra Large Imported Ice Wool Shawls, worth $1.25 ..... 75c

BABY CAPS—Just what you want for Christmas for the baby, handsome white silk, heavy embroidered Baby Caps, with full ruching and pompon, worth $1.00 ..... 59c

BABY MITTENS—Handmade, of best zephyr, worth 25c 10c

LEATHER GOODS—See our big special display in this line; we are headquarters; pocket-books from ..... 19c to $10

POCKET-BOOKS—In real seal and fancy leather, some with sterling silver corners; worth $1.00 ..... 49c

POCKET-BOOKS—Extra bargain, very fine, in all the late designs and fancy colors; don't fail to see them; worth $1.25 ..... 75c

MUSIC ROLLS—From ..... 39c to $1.50

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GARTERS—With fancy elastic and buckle, worth 50c 25c

GARTERS—With fancy silk elastic and beautiful buckle, worth $1.00 ..... 49c

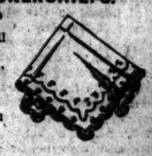
WRITING PAPER—We have this line from the small fancy box for the children to the finest imported papers for the swell society lady, from, per box ..... 5c to $1.00

IRISH LINEN WRITING PAPER—1-pound in box or 120 sheets, worth 50c 19c

Envelopes to match the above pack of 25 ..... 8c

EXTRA BARGAIN—500 boxes of the very latest Paper —Archive Bond, Salvine, Lillian Russell Palma Violets, etc., worth $1 a box 35c

HANDKERCHIEFS.



See the way we will pack our Ladies' Handkerchiefs for you we have them from 1c to $5.00 each.

SPECIAL 225 DOZEN Ladies' Hemstitched Colored Border Handkerchiefs, worth 10c 5c

EXTRA VALUE 500 DOZEN Ladies' Handkerchiefs, fancy loop open drawn work and hemstitched edges, worth 25c 15c

GRAND BARGAIN 750 DOZEN Ladies' Handkerchiefs, all the latest designs in edges and hemstitched drawn work, worth 50c 25c

FANCY NECKWEAR. This line we have from 75c to $5.00.

SPECIAL VALUE Fancy Silk and Lace Yokes in all the latest novelties, worth from $1.50 to $2.50 ..... 98c

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SPECIAL 500 Tinted Duck Table Covers—all worked and fringed, worth 85c 35c

EXTRA BARGAIN 20 DOZEN Sofa Pillows—26 inches square, covered with fancy duck and Japanese Crepe, unique designs, worth $1.50 to $2.00 ..... 98c

A BIG BARGAIN 20 DOZEN Silk Scarfs—hand painted and gold, Japanese embroidered on china silk worth 75c 29c

A GOOD THING Head Rests—Crepe Covered, fancy cloth, worth 50c 19c

OUR SPECIAL COUNTER 25c OUR SPECIAL COUNTER
We have placed 500 Fancy Articles on this counter, such as Fancy Calendars, Glove Boxes, Handkerchief Cases, Wall Pockets, Whisk Broom Holders, etc., all worth from 35c to 75c 25c

PERFUMES.

All the late Holiday Fancy Packages in Perfumes from 10c to $5.00. Elegant Chair, like cut, and Glass Stopper, bottle filled with good Perfume worth 35c 15c

4 ounces good Perfume in Glass Stopper, Fancy Christmas Bottle, worth 75c 39c

Large package Colgate's Sachet Powder, worth 15c 5c

ATOMIZERS. 2,000 Large Glass Atomizers, in all colors, with best rubber bulb, worth 50c 25c

PUFF BOXES. In fancy glass hand painted, worth 75c 25c

SALE OF BEIFELD'S STOCK CLOAKS, SUITS AND FURS.

Ladies' Jackets. Ladies' Jackets—Black Melton, box coats, ripple back, Beifeld's price $4.50 ..... $2.48

Jacket in All-Wool Beaver Black, Navy, Havana Mixtures, two-button effects, Beifeld's price $6.50 ..... $4.98

Ladies' Jackets—Boucle, Beaver, Kersey and Fancy materials, self-faced, value up to $15 ..... $10.00

Fur Capes. Fur Capes—Genuine French Coney, 27x100 in., silk-lined, choice skins, Beifeld's price $8.50 ..... $3.98

800 Genuine French Coney Capes, 80 inches long, good satin, Beifeld's price $12.50 ..... $8.50

150 Astrachan Capes, 80 inches long, heavy tailor satin linings, fine curly skins, Beifeld's price $25.00 ..... $15.00

CLOTH CAPES. Capes—Ladies' Tan Covert Cloth and Black Double Cape, trimmed in rows of narrow braid, Beifeld's price $7.50 ..... $3.45

Ladies' Cloth Double Cape, Navy Blue, Beaver, edged with Canada seal, Beifeld's price $9.50 ..... $5.00

Ladies' Cloth Capes, Boucle, Beaver, Navy, Black and fancy mixtures, Beifeld's price $12.50 ..... $7.50

PLUSH CAPES. An excellent quality Plush Cape, 24 inches long, edged collar and front with seal, Beifeld's price $15.00 ..... $6.50

72 Plush Capes, extra quality satin linings, trimmed in Thibet and Marten edging, Beifeld's price $25.00 ..... $15.00

Choice of 25 samples Plush Capes, no two alike, Beifeld's price up to $45.00 ..... $25.00

Children's Jackets. Choice of lot of Children's Jackets, mixed materials, ages 4 to 14 years $3.98

Children's Cloaks. 800 Children's Cloaks, fancy mixtures, and handsomely trimmed, ages 4 to 14 years $4.98

Tea Gowns. 80 Black Cashmere Tea Gowns, ruffle and ribbon trimmed, Fedora front, value $6.50 ..... $3.98

Wrappers. Flannelette Elderdown Wrappers—10 dozen odds and ends; if we have your size 69c

Thousands Crowded Into Our Immense

TOY DEPT.

All this week, in order to get some of those Wonderful Bargains advertised last Sunday. Remember, we do not advertise Dolls and Toys for one day only, but for every day until Christmas. All last week's Bargains in addition to the following new ones:

Hobby Horses, with hair, mane and tails 74c
Swinging Horses, like cut, the $2.50 ones $1.89
Shoo Flys, the 98c ones 49c
Shoo Flys, upholstered seats 79c

Still in the Lead.

Best Velocipede made, No. 1 ..... $1.09
No. 2 ..... $1.50
No. 3 ..... $1.89
Every day until Christmas.

The Best School Desk sold at $1.00 ..... 75c
The Best Misses' and Youths' Desks sold at $2.95, $1.98
Cylinder Roll Top, like cut, worth $4.50 ..... $2.98

Over 5000 Toys and Picture Books from ..... 1c to $1.50

SPECIAL—A handsome Board Bound Book, printed on finest paper, finished in best style, and made to sell at 39c. While they last 19c

McLaughlin Bro.'s 10c Books 5c
McLaughlin Bro.'s 15c Books 10c
McLaughlin Bro.'s 25c Books 19c
This beats the Earth.

Our competitors can simply not approach our prices. Examine for yourselves.
Albums, 49c, 75c, $1.00 up

Another Cut in Toilet Cases.
We have sold hundreds this week, but to our sorrow we have hundreds more. This is your opportunity. Think of it! Cases from 59c to $10.00 that were more than four times the price.

See our Picture Display on Third Floor.
Framed Pictures at prices of unframed ones. We only ask you to look. You will buy.
Over 2000 different styles of Baskets for ornamental and useful purposes. 5c Up
A large assortment of Candy and Bon Bon Baskets from .....
Patent All-Clamp Skates, hardened steel polished. Special offer 29c

The Largest and Best Line Jointed Dolls in the City.
No. 1—The regular 25c ones 19c
No. 2—Same, dressed, 35c ones 19c
No. 3—The regular 98c ones 50c
ALL SIZES IN KID BODY DOLLS.

MATCHLESS OFFERINGS FOR TODAY.
One lot of Boys' Striped Shirts and Drawers, were 35c, go at 15c
USEFUL PRESENTS—Children's Nat. Wool Shirts and Drawers 15c
Rise 5c
Ladies' All-Wool Scarlet Pants, worth $1.00 ..... 50c
One Case Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests and Pants, worth 35c, go at 19c
Heavy Weight Fleece-Lined Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests, were 50c, For Friday and Saturday 25c
Ladies' Heavy Weight All-Silk Hose, were $2.00 and $2.50, go at $1.38
Ladies' All-Wool Sweaters, were $4.00, at $2.48
Ladies' All-Wool Cashmere Hose, were, 25c, go at 17c
Children's All-Wool Black Jersey Leggins, worth $1.25, go at 90c
50 dozen Ladies' Fast Black, Extra Heavy Hose, high spliced heel and ankle, real Maco Yarn, never sold less than 50c, on sale at 35c, or 3 for $1.00

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS FOR GENTLEMEN.

ECONOMICAL, USEFUL AND ORNAMENTAL.

Bath Robes worth $5.00 go at $3.48
Elegant Gents' Solid Silver Trimmed All-Silk Taffeta Steel Rod Umbrellas at $3.50
Others ask $5.00.
Fine line of Umbrellas from 50c to $12.50
Don't fail to see our line.
Men's All-Wool Cardigan Jackets, full regular made shoulders, worth $3.00, our price $2.00
Men's Elegant All-Wool Jersey Coats, others ask $3.50, our price $2.45
80 doz Men's Full Reg. Made Fast Black Hermsdorf Dye ½-Hose, regular 25c kind, for the holidays only ..... 17c 3 pairs for 50c
100 doz Men's Seamless ½-Hose Black and Tans, worth 20c, on sale at 9c
Men's Suspenders worth 20c at 11c
Men's suspenders worth 25c at 15c
Men's Suspenders worth 40c and 50c at 25c
Men's Fancy Satin Emb. Suspenders, put in fancy glass boxes ..... 50c, 75c and $1
Very elegant Christmas Presents.
Men's Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers, sold at $1.50, now 75c
One lot Genuine Camel's Hair Shirts and Drawers, all sizes up to 50, were $1.50, on sale at $1.25
One Case Men's Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers were 75c, on sale at 48c
The celebrated Suits, Conde's All-Wool Silk Stripe Underwear, were $1.50, at 89c
One big lot of Men's Random Shirts and Drawers, were 75c, go at 39c
Dark Colored Figured Mufflers, well worth 40c, on sale at 21c
All Silk White Brocaded Mufflers, at ..... 50c, 75c & $1.00
Put up nicely in fancy boxes.
All Silk fine quality Men's Puff and Teck Scarfs, put up separately in fancy box; haberdasher's price 75c and $1.00, our price 50c
Finest quality Men's Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, put up half dozen in fancy box, per box $1.38
Hundreds of the latest patterns of Men's Link Cuff Buttons, heavy rolled plate, worth from 50c to 75c, on sale at 25c
Gents' Sterling Silver Shirt Studs, jewelers' price $1.00, our price, set 50c
Gents' 14-kt Watch Chains, warranted 5 years, others ask $4.00, our price $1.25
Don't fail to see our line of Gents' Dress and Fur Gloves.
Very suitable Christmas presents.
One lot of Men's Gloves that were 50c and 75c, go at 25c
80 dozen Genuine All-Silk Boston Garters, regular price 40c, on sale at 25c

SANTA CLAUS IN DAILY ATTENDANCE
On our Third Floor for the Special Amusement of the Children. Bring them to see him.

ELI PETTIJOHN'S BEST PANCAKES
Made from flour ready for immediate use, served FREE in our Basement. Wholesome and Delicious. All Housekeepers invited to come and test it.

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ENGLAND'S ANSWER.

Salisbury's Note Will Be Published When Cleveland Returns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Lord Salisbury's answer to Secretary Olney on the Venezuelan question will not be made public until the return of President Cleveland. It appears that Mr. Cleveland was aware of the nature of the answer before he left, and it is believed he had the entire text by cable from Ambassador Bayard. This, however, was a private communication, and was not the formal submission of Great Britain's answer. The latter formality occurred after Mr. Cleveland's departure, as that it is felt to be a courtesy due the President to await his return and possibly his explaining it to the public. There is no misgiving inclination in London, it is stated, to making the answer public as soon as the proprieties have been observed.

McIntoshes! McIntoshes!
A ladies' waterproof, guaranteed, at $1.48. Men's at $2.50; absolutely waterproof.
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Descendants of Dante.

A descendant of the famous poet Dante, Count Dante Serego-Alighiero, the Mayor of Venice, died recently near Verona. His family descends from the author of "La Divina Comedia" on the female side only. The last male descendant of Dante, Pietro di Dante, died in the year 1547. His daughter was married to a Count Serego of Verona, and he obtained the right to add to his family name that of his wife. The family of Serego-Alighiero is very numerous and wealthy, and most of its members live in the province of Venezia.

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BROADWAY & FRANKLIN AVE — Penny and Tenths — BROADWAY & FRANKLIN AVE

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FRIDAY BARGAINS.

650 Celluloid and Plush Albums, worth $1.75. Friday, **$1.00**

Combination Plush and Celluloid Albums, worth $2.50, **$1.50**

White Enameled Toilet Case, Comb, Brush and Mirror, **68c**

Celluloid Toilet Case, Comb, Brush and Mirror..... **98c**

Plush or Celluloid Toilet Case, Comb, Brush and Mirror..... **$1.50**

Celluloid Smoker Set, **$1.25**

Shaving Sets, **$1.25**

Elegant Celluloid Shaving Set..... **$2.25**

Square Plush Cuff and Collar Box... **98c**

Oval Shape Cuff and Collar Box... **48c**

Combination Cuff and Collar Box..... **75c**

LAMPS, BRIC-A-BRAC.

165 beautiful Hammered Brass Banquet Lamps, with 14-inch Silk Shade, Rochester Burner, worth $3.50, **$1.98**

145 Gold Finished Onyx Tables, worth $5.50, **$3.75**

Finer ones at **$4.50, $5.50, $6.50 and $7.95**

FOR A FLYER—200 Misses' and Children's Solid Oak Rocking Chairs, like cut, regular price $1.75, until all sold, **$1.00**

1000 pairs Solid Steel Club Skates, patent lever, worth 75c **29c**

DRESS GOODS.
Immense Sale of 1000 Dress Patterns very suitable for Holiday Gifts.

LOT 1—Double width Storm Serge, double width Columbia Serge, double width Scotch Cheviots, 8 yards a full dress pattern, worth 20c per yard, or $1.60 a Dress Pattern; price Friday $1.00 a dress pattern or, per yard..... **12½c**

LOT 2—All Wool Scotch Mixtures, 36-inch all wool French Serge, 46-inch all wool fine silk finished French Henrietta, 50-inch all wool Ladies' Cloth in a choice assortment of colorings, worth $3.00 a full dress pattern; Friday at, a full dress pattern..... **$2.00**

LOT 3—100 Dress Patterns, 50 inches wide, all wool French Serge, 46-inch all wool French Henrietta, 50-inch all wool Scotch Cheviots or Rough Mixtures, 6 yards a full dress pattern, worth $4.50, or 75c per yard; our price Friday $4.00 a dress pattern or, per yard..... **50c**

SILKS.

20 pieces Fancy Changeable Silks and Black Brocade Silks, a beautiful line, worth double the money, only..... **29c**

15 pieces Black Rhadame Satin, all silk, regular dress quality, value 75c; price on Friday..... **49c**

600 yards Manufacturers' short lengths of Fine Silks in Black and Fancies, Taffetas, Surahs, Gros Grains, Plaids, etc., must go at..... **½ PRICE**

BLACK GOODS.

10 pieces 36-inch all pure wool Black Poodle Cloth, worth 75c. Friday price **50c**

8 pieces 46-inch all pure wool Black Crepon, splendid quality, worth $1.00; Friday price..... **69c**

XMAS GTS FOR GETS.

50 dozen Gents' Fineshmere Mufflers, medium pork patterns, worth 50c Friday for..... **25c**

200 dozen Gents' Elegant All-Silk Teck Scarfs, in handsome Lace Edge Box, worth $1. Friday for..... **50c**

100 dozen Gents' Finished Kid Gloves, with or without tops, worth $1.25, Friday at..... **75c**

125 dozen Gents' Elegant Satin Embroidered Suspenders, in glass-top boxes, worth $1.00, Friday for..... **50c**

200 dozen White Unlaundered Shirts, Linen bosoms, all sizes, worth 75c each, Friday 4 dozen for..... **$2.75**

100 dozen Gents' Fineshmere Mufflers, with silk stripe, and some dark patterns, worth $1.00, Friday for..... **50c**

XMAS SLIPERS FOR GENTS

A Present every man goes to get—he dreams of slippers this time—don't hesitate an instant. Slippers are the correct thing.

Lot 1—Gents' Velvet Embroidered Slippers, Opera and Everett's, Pat. Leather trimmed, worth $1.25, at..... **75c**

Lot 2—Gents' Dongola Columbia, worth $1.50, at..... **$1.00**

Lot 3—Gents' Plush Embroidered Slippers, Pat. Leather Back and trimmed, worth $2.00, at..... **$1.25**

CLOAKS.

Half price on Fur Capes for Friday. A grand chance to secure a handsome garment for Christmas.

50 Electric Seal Capes, 30 inches long, Marten Collars, never sold less than $24.50, Friday..... **$12.25**

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All Fur Capes Reduced.

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50 Ladies' Heavy Cloth Jackets, full sleeves, long length, small sizes, sold regularly at $12.50, Friday..... **$3.95**

200 Misses' Jackets, all sizes, all reduced for Friday, ages 12 to 18 years, prices..... **$2.95** up

200 Children's Cloth Cloaks, ages 6 to 14 years, all cut away down.

100 Children's Eiderdown Cloaks, worth $1.00, Friday..... **49c**

20 dozen Flannelette Wrappers..... **99c**

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Well, of course, you need not be told there is nothing else to buy the children. They want Toys—just Toys, and here is where you get the best.

Double Blackboard Desk, FROM **95c** TO **$2.00**

Full assortment in Cabinet and Cylinder Desks.

All sizes in Velocipedes FROM **$1.25** TO **$2.50**

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All kinds of Doll Carriages, FROM **19c** TO **$6.50**

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184 Kid Body Dolls, like cut; stands 17 inches high, shoes and stockings, long flowing hair, special price.. **35c**

76 Dressed Dolls, in Pink, Blue, Red and Green Dresses, well worth 75c, only.... **50c**

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50c Cloth-bound Book—Including Robinson Crusoe, Arabian Nights, Esop's, Anderson's and Grimm's Fairy Tales, Uncle Tom's Cabin and others, each..... **15c**

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$1.25 Set Macaulay History of England. $1.50 Set Cooper's Leather Stocking Tales..... **99c**

All the Popular Sets at less than publisher's prices. Call and be convinced,

ARE LEAVING THE MEN ALONE.

The "New Woman" Movement Is Felt in Society.

BOYCOTT ON THE BACHELORS

The Girls Are Going Everywhere Without Male Escorts and Give Only Afternoon Entertainments.

The "New Woman" is asserting herself in more ways than one. We have grown accustomed to her in the shops, and behind the desks and even soliciting insurance. As a typewriter she has proved a success, and on the wheel, no one questions her supremacy. We are used to all of these things. It is the "New Woman in Society" that claims our attention now.

Time was when a girl could not peek out the door after dark without a big brother or a sweetheart. After a while she took to going to church with her mother or aunt. That was not so bad, so if she lacked a beau she would go to the theater at night with an elderly female companion.

Now, two sweet, pretty girls, go together to the theater at night supremely confident of their ability to take care of themselves. At the opera there were lots of bachelor girls sitting two and two, or in groups in the parquet and dress-circle. And worse than that, there were matrons in pairs, or in groups, without their husbands. They are beginning to find out that they can get along very well indeed without the protection of their liege lords, and they need not occupy themselves up at home "because hubby is too tired to go out in the evening."

This turn of affairs was rather pleasing at first to all parties concerned. Theater tickets and flowers come high, so paterfamilias was quite content to stay at home. The young men found it rather pleasant to visit the girls in their boxes, or look at them from a distance, for a time, but the trouble does not end there. The women are distinctly dispensing with the attendance of the men altogether. There are few functions now which call even for their presence. There are breakfasts and luncheons galore, but the delicious menus are furnished for the critical taste of feminine guests. There are "dove dinners" calculated to drive the "Jeunesse Doree" wild with unsatisfied longings. There are receptions where the girls show their pretty clothes to each other, and the girls are, indeed, going in for "teas" to the point of dissipation, and not a man, save the dressed waiters, around.

It is growing monotonous. A ball is thrown now and then to the hungry men, and a beautiful debutante is introduced, only to be snatched back, to grace the luncheons and dejeuners and dinners, and revel in the teas with the other girls. What does it all mean? What has happened? Seeks the new thoroughly disgruntled man: Why the new woman has invaded our parlors; that's all; and she likes it.

This was all foreshadowed last year, and the girls undertook to retrieve by giving a "Bachelors Ball"—but what could they do? Nothing until they took the "Benedicts" into their confidence. The Benedicts meant well, and thought they could pull them through. How?—Well they had to ask their wives, and the women gave the ball.

This season this state of affairs is some what accentuated. The women have discovered that they can get along admirably without the men and the men have discovered that they cannot get along even a little bit without the women. The girls have discovered that their dolls were filled with saw dust, and the men, that the spring that made "the wheels go 'round" is gone from their toys. This will lead to a better understanding after awhile, and there will be a revival of the old fashioned "mixed parties," when the boys will go with the girls and they will both find their chief pleasures in each other's society. For the present, however, the feminine receptions and teas, and luncheons, and card parties go on and must be duly chronicled.

The Gontard-Busch nuptials are creating quite as much stir in St. Louis society as the Marlborough-Vanderbilt nuptials did in New York. The goings and comings of each individual of the party are chronicled with precision, and what is not known or suspected is not worth knowing. There was an elegant luncheon given on Tuesday to the bridal party by Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Busch, at the Busch mansion. A euchre party followed by a dance was given the same evening by Miss Fannie Conrad. Miss Marie Sansoucie, another bridesmaid, gave a card party followed by a dance on Wednesday evening, and this evening, Miss Hilda Lange gives a dinner party to the bride and groom and attendants. On Friday evening Miss Anna Busch gives a dinner dance, and on Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Busch will wind up the gayties of the week with a luncheon followed by a 5 o'clock tea. These festivities are only a prelude to the gorgeous wedding festivities next week.

On Monday evening, Mrs. Ben Sandford gave an elegant reception, introducing her daughter in compliment to Miss Smyth of New York.

Miss Frances Elliott gave a 5 o'clock tea on Monday in compliment to the Croninger bridal party.

Mrs. J. E. M. Kehlor gave a tea on Monday afternoon in compliment to her daughter, Miss Jessie Kehlor, and her guest Miss Patterson, of Baltimore.

The most brilliant function of the week, was the ball given at Mahler's on Wednesday evening, by Mrs. J. L. D. Morrison, introducing Miss Lily Carr. The fair young debutante has already made quite a sensation in society, not only on account of the patrician beauty inherited from her mother, but also, because of her charming manner. She will be remembered by many as the graceful, golden-haired child, who took part in the Children's Carnivals and upon one occasion, in the McCulloch Club, she played quite a pretty role, with her mother, in which she gave promise of much talent. She has recently graduated from the Convent of the Sacred Heart, in Georgetown, D. C., and has returned with her mother to St. Louis after several years absence.

Mrs. Cliff Richardson gave a dance on Monday evening at the Kinloch Club, in compliment to the participants in the Tableaux from Gibson's pictures.

Miss Sadie Pierce gave a young ladies' tea last week.

Mrs. Gilbert Chapman entertained the Monday Evening Dancing Club, which was organized by her with Mrs. Dan Catlin's assistance. There will only be four of these dances, the membership being small and confined to a swell set. They will meet early, and go home at 12 o'clock.

Mrs. A. V. L. Brokkaw gave a violet luncheon in compliment to Miss Nellie Rockwell, of Chicago, and Miss Menge, of New Orleans.

Mrs. Edgar Tilton entertained yesterday, the Music, Cards and Dancing Club. Progressive euchre was played.

The Misses Miller will give a tea party on Friday afternoon at their home on West Pine boulevard.

Mrs. Charles Bland Smith gives a reception on Friday afternoon in compliment to Miss Walsh, of Washington City, assisted by her neice Mrs. Roberts.

Mrs. Rebecca Sire, gives the last of her receptions in compliment to her neice Mrs. William McLanohan.

Miss Marie Euston has issued cards for a dance December 26.

A Mary Institute Club of young ladies, will give a dance for the holidays, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford Chappell, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roach.

Mrs. Charles Espenschied gives a card party to-morrow afternoon at her residence, 3500 Washington avenue.

Mrs. Charles Filley gives a tea on Friday afternoon in compliment to her daughter, Miss Mabel Filley.

Messrs. John and Arthur Lee will give a handsome ball, December 30, in compliment to their neice Miss Jeanette Lee.

Mrs. G. P. Webster gives a tea Thursday afternoon at her home on Lindell boulevard.

Miss Jessie Crane will give a reception and dance on the 24th.

Gossip.

Mrs. M. A. Donnelly, who has been spending the fall season at Hotel Beers, has gone to the Atlanta Exposition and will go from there to St. Augustine, Fla., where she will spend the winter.

Miss Adele Kimball, who has been spending some time in the East and visiting Mrs. Wells, in Canada, has returned home.

Miss Adelaide Daughaday, after a visit to the family of her brother, Mr. Hamilton Daughaday of Lindell boulevard, left on Tuesday to visit other relatives. Miss Daughaday has been for thirteen years a missionary to Japan and has been taking a well earned rest from her labors.

Miss Octavia Johnson will leave next week to visit relatives in the East, and will serve as bridesmaid for a friend in Baltimore.

Dr. Thomas Reber, who has been making a visit to Leavenworth, Kas., where he spent Thanksgiving with his relatives, has returned home.

Mrs. Ashley D. Scott has returned to the city, and is making a visit to her sister, Mrs. Lucy V. S. Ames, on Lindell boulevard.

Mrs. A. A. Tucker of Minnesota has come to St. Louis to reside. He brings with him a fair young bride, and they are domiciled at 3604 Morgan street.

Miss Sadie Coleman, who has been visiting friends in South St. Louis, has returned to her home in Moberly, Mo.

Mr. Guy Warren and Mr. Jack Valliant, who have been spending a month on the Bermuda Islands, will return home by the New Year.

The engagement of Miss Mary Elizabeth Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Hill, to Mr. William Wallace Nicholls, has been announced. Mr. Nicholls is a professor of science in Yale College.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. McCarthy are spending their honeymoon in the East, and visiting his relatives in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth arrived on Tuesday to attend the Wadsworth-Whittaker wedding December 18. Mrs. Wadsworth will be remembered as the beautiful and accomplished Miss Mattie Blow of this city, whose own beautiful wedding took place in Christ Church Cathedral only a few years ago.

Miss Susie Blow, who spends her summers with Mrs. Wadsworth, is greatly improved in health. She now resides near Boston and still keeps up her interest in literary work.

Mrs. George Jones is in Memphis, Tenn., where she will spend the holidays with her brother, Mr. George Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter, who have just completed a beautiful new home in Portland place, will take possession next week, and will spend the holiday season in the new home. Their sons will return from Yale for the house-warming.

Mrs. Balfour Holloway of Louisville, Ky., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. S. L. Jefferson, returned home on Tuesday, accompanied by her mother, who will spend the holiday season with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Manhard left this week for Chicago and will in future reside there.

Mr. and Mrs. George Whitelaw are spending this winter as usual in California. They are now in Santa Barbara.

Mrs. Falk Younker of Des Moines left last night to return home after spending ten days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Weiner of McPherson avenue. She was much entertained while here and enjoyed several theatres.

Mrs. Erastus Wells, who has been spending the summer and fall in her cottage at Coburg, Canada, where she entertained numerous St. Louis friends, closed it last week and arrived this week in St. Louis. She will spend the winter at the Southern Hotel.

The marriage of Miss Florence Lucas and Mr. Guerin of Columbus, O., has been postponed to April from January, as first announced, and the young couple will first accompany the parents of the bridegroom-elect upon a trip through California.

Miss Lettie Mackay, who has been visiting Miss Mabel Beiler of Sedalia for several weeks, returned last week accompanied by Miss Mabel Bell of Chicago, who was also the guest of Miss Beiler, both young ladies having been the recipient of many courtesies during their stay in one of the most social little cities in the State.

Miss Urilla McDearmon of this city has gone to Columbia, where she is the guest of the daughters of Mr. Robert L. Todd of that city.

Col. Thomas P. Grasty of Baltimore visited his sister during the present week, being on his way to Louisville, Ky., where he expects to meet his wife and accompany her to their home in Staunton, Va., to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Niedringhaus are expecting a visit from one of the former's old college friends, Mr. Kirby Brockenbrough of Lafayette, Ind.

Senator and Mrs. Vest will spend the Christmas holidays with their only daughter Mrs. George Jackson of Thornby place, arriving in time to attend the marriage of Miss Busch.

Mrs. John Stephenson is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. R. N. Hudson of Terre Haute, Ind., who came to the city with Mrs. W. R. McKeen, wife of the President of the Vandalia road, in her private car.

Mrs. Arthur Bryson and her two little children Ida and Pinkney are visiting the family of Mr. P. H. Bryson of 2728 Washington avenue.

Mrs. C. G. Ward and her son Clarence are located at 3632 Locust street.

Miss Lulu Wear is visiting her aunt, Mrs. S. M. Nave of St. Joseph, Mo., where she has been the recipient of much attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foster, the lady formerly Miss Sallie B. Wright of Fulton, Mo., who were married at the home of the bride Tuesday a week ago, have arrived in St. Louis.

Mrs. Lelia Shaffer of Carthage, Mo., has arrived in the city and will spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen of Westminster place.

Misses Madge and Florence Rhode have returned from a visit to friends in Atchison, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carter, the latter having been absent in Mexico, Mo., visiting her parents, will shortly take possession of their new home in Portland place.

The Christmas sale of dolls and fancy articles held for the benefit of the St. Louis Children's Hospital will continue until today at the residence of Mrs. W. M. Samuel, 3407 Washington avenue.

A handsome ball will take place on Dec. 30 given by Messrs. Arthur and John Lee in honor of their niece, Miss Jeanette Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Siegrist have gone to housekeeping for the present at 3728 Lindell boulevard, where they will remain until their home in Westmoreland place is completed.

The "We" Club, which is the name of a club composed of the senior class of the Mary Institute, will give a dance at Mahler's, on Olive street, on Dec. 26.

Mrs. Robert Co... Day will give two receptions, the first ... afternoon and the second next Thurs...

A pleasant birthday party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith, 2122A Madison ... Sunday afternoon in honor of the 8th birthday of Master W. M. P. Smith, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hayden have moved to Cleve... to live. Mr. Hayden having accepted a position there. They will be at the Garlock on Euclid avenue for the winter.

Mrs. James D. Lucas and family, of Carlyle, Ill., have moved to the city, and are at 4107 Washington boulevard.

Miss Anne Reed of Paducah is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. P. McArdle, at 1546 South Compton avenue.

Mrs. Fred Smith will become to her friends on Fridays at her home, 4139 Laclede avenue.

Mrs. R. G. Reilly, who has been visiting relatives on Virginia avenue for several weeks, will leave to-night for San Francisco, Cal., to join her husband, who is located there for the present.

Mrs. Wm. Stamm entertained her progressive euchre club of 32 ladies at her residence, 3328 South Jefferson avenue. First prize, a handsome urn, won by Mrs. H. Hellmann, second prize, an Irish point square, won by Miss Laura Timann. Third prize, one-half dozen decorate cake plates, won by Miss Celia Kaiser. Booby prize, a thermometer, won by Miss Harper.

Mrs. Cullen Battle entertains informally, Wednesday night, the Zodiac Musical Club at her residence, 4272 Washington boulevard. Misses Rockwood, Rhodes and Gertrude Rockwood, lead the banjo club; Mrs. Battle, Rockwood and Mr. Pollack, the mandolin club.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Glaser have taken possession of their new home 4401 Washington avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Hoy of 3317 Lucas avenue gave a whist party Wednesday. Invitations have been received by the friends of Mrs. Jane Prince to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Nettie Prince, and Mr. Bernard Birnbaum, which will take place Dec. 18 at Roxbury, Mass.

Miss Lallie Baudin, who has been visiting Mrs. John Hendricks of Texas has gone with a party of friends on a trip through Old Mexico and California.

Mr. F. H. Floyd and children are the guests of her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Sayers' Hotel Beers.

Mrs. W. B. Quigley of Nebraska is with friends at Hotel Beers.

Miss Jennie Kenna, who has been making a visit to Miss Tevis, at her home in Sedalia, has returned home.

Mrs. William Burbach has returned from a visit to Mrs. Alfred Weyand.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Logan have returned from a short visit to Chicago.

Miss Frances Elliott has returned from a visit to relatives in Kansas City.

Mrs. W. A. Runnell and Miss Edna Runnell are visiting friends in the East.

Mrs. Lucy Lyle, who visited Mr. and Mrs. John Woodson, has left for her home in Louisville, Ky.

Miss Mary Dodge left on Wednesday to spend six weeks with her aunt in Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Jennie Wells has returned from a visit to friends in southwest Missouri.

Miss Isbel Sanguinot, who has been visiting Miss Bessie Miller of Jefferson City, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hogan have returned from a trip to Chicago.

Miss Fannie Billingsley has returned from a visit to friends in St. Joe.

Mrs. T. W. Warren, after a visit of a fortnight to Mrs. Thomas Whittier, has returned to St. Louis.

Mrs. L. S. Gaty has returned from a visit to Mrs. R. F. Lucket at her country home.

Miss Mary Freeman has returned from a trip to New York.

Mrs. Charles Banton has returned from a visit to Kansas City.

Mrs. Ida King has returned from a visit to Mrs. Judge Brawn of Carthage, Mo.

Miss Virgie Orrick has returned from a visit to Miss Lucy McDearmon, called back by the illness of her father.

Mrs. Alexander Douglas has returned from the Atlanta Exposition.

Mrs. Arthur Belt has returned from a visit to Cincinnati.

Miss Katie Cary has returned from a short visit to friends in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Robinson have returned from Chicago.

Mrs. Bailey, who has been visiting her cousins, Mrs. Chouteau Smith and Mrs. Dexter Crosby, has returned to her home in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bigelow have returned from Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Glaser have returned from a visit to the Atlanta Exposition.

Mrs. Harry Franklin of California avenue is entertaining her sister, Mrs. J. Bowen, and daughter from Lagonier, Ind.

Mrs. William Lacombe of 3870 Windsor place is expecting her mother from Collinsville, Ill., to spend the winter.

Mr. James Hogan of Gambleton place is entertaining his daughter, Mrs. John Nelson of Pass Christian.

Mrs. M. E. Washington will entertain Mrs. Erastus Wells upon her arrival in this city until she gets settled for the winter.

Mrs. Edward R. Norris is expecting a visit from her sister from Louisville, Ky.

Miss Mabel Taylor of Quincy, Ill., is visiting St. Louis friends.

Miss Sarah Ludlow of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting Mrs. Charles L. Davis.

Mrs. Charles Adams entertained last week Mrs. James C. Elwood of Cincinnati.

Miss Lucille Condee of Chicago has been visiting Mrs. M. R. Park.

Miss Mattie Witherspoon arrived last week from Louisville, Ky., to spend the holiday season with Miss Katharine Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Walker of Toronto, Canada, were visiting St. Louis friends last week.

Miss Hay of Washington, D. C., is visiting the family of Mr. Thomas E. Tutt.

Mrs. Louise Warmouth has been visiting Mrs. Gussie Plowman.

Mrs. L. Tinker of Chicago has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Mermod.

Mrs. Charles E. Perkins and her daughter from Burlington, Io., spent last week at the St. Nicholas Hotel visiting St. Louis friends.

Misses Eva and Annie Dugan of Columbus, O., are visiting Mrs. Frederick Bennett.

Miss Tina Lickins has been making a visit to her sister, Mrs. Herbert Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Taft of Chicago have been visiting Mrs. Richard Gregory.

Mr. Charles G. Mason and bride spent a few days last week with St. Louis friends, en route for the Atlanta Exposition.

Mrs. Goodfellow of Delmar avenue will leave this week to spend a fortnight in the South.

Mr. and Mrs. Sholes have returned to Cleveland, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. James Hopkins.

Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Birkhead have gone back to Columbus, Mo., after spending a few with St. Louis friends.

Miss Maude Pavey has gone to spend several weeks with relatives in the interior of the State.

Mr. and Miss Rose Farming have returned to their home in Terre Haute.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Morrow have gone East before going to their home in Memphis, Tenn.

Miss Helen Ranney has returned to her home in Cleveland, O.

Mrs. Hutchinson will leave this week to spend the holiday season in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Epstein have gone East to spend three weeks.

Misses Mary and Elizabeth Cummings have gone to the Atlanta Exposition.

Mrs. Nelson G. Edwards and family left on Thursday for the South.

Mrs. William Johnson has gone to the country to visit friends.

Miss Kate Hoffman, who has been visiting Miss Kate Murphy, has gone home.

Mrs. D. B. Lindley went to Kansas City last week to stay with her son, Mr. Guy Lindley, for two weeks.

Misses Ella Dean and Hattie Brennan have gone to the Atlanta Exposition.

Mrs. T. K. Brant has returned to Boonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacleds Howard have gone to Atlanta, Ga.

Misses Lena Ricketts and Ethel Calloway have gone home after a visit to St. Louis friends.

Mrs. Jacob Glass, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mamie McNamara, has returned to her home in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lowderman and Mr. and Mrs. James Lowderman left yesterday for California.

Miss Clara Rose Brown has returned to Jacksonville, Ill., after a visit to St. Louis relatives.

WITH THE PLAYER-FOLK.

Camille D'Arville tripped in and out of the stage door of the Grand Opera House in the blustery winter weather last evening sans umbrella and overshoes. This is a habit of hers. She is no more afraid of water than a duck. This is the result of her early bringing up, for Miss D'Arville was born in Holland, where the sky above and the earth beneath is saturated with water. A great many people think that the trace of accent that finds its way into her spoken words is the result of French ancestry, but it is a reminiscence of her Flemish birth. This, too, will explain Miss D'Arville's mastery of fastness in love-making. The singer is winning new friends at each performance and yesterday had a crowded matinee. George Boniface is dividing the honors with the star.

Humperdinck's fairy opera, "Hansel and Gretel," under the management of Mr. Augustin Daly, will be at the Olympic for one week beginning next Sunday night.

Fourteen months ago Humperdinck, an unknown musician, gave to the world his musical setting to Andersen's dainty fairy tale, "The Babes in the Wood." He was hailed as the successor to Wagner, but while he followed the Bayreuth master in elaborate harmonization and daring contrapuntal device, built his musical structure on "folk tunes" and gave the uninitiated a key to the understanding of his composition.

The story bringing in the Sandman and the Dewman and the witch mother, together with the magnificent mounting of the production, make the performance especially pleasing to children.

During the engagement of "Hansel and Gretel" the regular prices will prevail. There will be an orchestra of thirty pieces. Reserved seat sale opens to-day.

A new play, founded on a new theory and built on a plan heretofore unused on the stage, will be at the Grand next week from $35 to $100, and briar wood pipes, gold mounted, from $11 to $15. Some beautiful solid gold handled pocket knives are shown at from $12 to $25; stamp boxes, $5 to $8, and cost no more than a key ring, from $2 to $20, and tie holders, plain gold, enameled, or jewelled, at from $4 to $25. Gold buckle suspenders range from $40 to $50, and garters from $30 to $36. Among the novelties shown are a gold-backed mustache brush at $16, and a physicians' themometer in a gold case at $25.

Among these articles it will be seen are valuable trifles especially appropriate for presents from husband to wife, wife to husband, and for bachelors and maidens, who are still in single blessedness, presents doubly valuable, because actually useful as well as unique and ornamental.

DESPONDENT MAMIE LYONS.

Tried to End a Life of Shame by Morphine.

Mamie Lyons, 18 years old, an inmate of Rose St. Clair's resort on Clark avenue, attempted suicide by taking morphine. She was despondent and said she was tired of living. Dr. Lippe pumped her out at the Dispensary and sent her to the City Hospital. She will recover.

Injured by a Playmate.

Frank Curotto, 7 years old, of 4138 Olive street, while at play at the Marquette School, about 1 o'clock Wednesday, was knocked down by an unknown boy and sustained a fracture of his left arm.

Notwithstanding the intense pain the little fellow said nothing about his injury until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Unable to stand it any longer he informed his teacher. It was then discovered that his arm was broken. He was sent home.

The Clover Leaf Engines

Are equipped with electric headlights. Ticket office 505 Olive.

Page Boulevard Church Bazaar.

The ladies of the Page Boulevard Presbyterian Church will hold a Christmas bazaar at their chapel, corner Aubert and Page avenues, on Thursday and Friday nights for the benefit of the church. There will be a musical entertainment to-night. Hanlon's Post orchestra will assist in the concert.

Anthracite Coal.

We sell Wilkesbarre, Lehigh and Scranton anthracite coals. Absolutely the best in the country. SYLVESTER COAL CO., Telephone 1200. Laclede Building.

Engineer Mertzke's Mental Condition.

Albert Mertzke, an engineer, 45 years old, is at the City Hospital, suffering from what is to all appearances mental condition. He was arrested at his home, 2721 Hickory avenue, Wednesday, while raising a disturbance.

Glasses will find the best value for the least money at Wm. Wocher & Sons, Opticians, 515 Olive st.

PRETTY TRIFLES.

Novelties in Gold for Both Sexes for Christmas Presents.

The present season has produced some charming novelties in gold for both ladies' and gentlemen's use for Christmas presents. They are articles in daily use and which could not fail of being most highly valued as presents, besides which the donor would be kept in daily remembrance.

A novelty department is maintained by Mermod & Jaccard, Broadway and Locust, and a Post-Dispatch reporter was given a glimpse of its choice offerings yesterday. For the ladies there are gold veil holders in bird and butterfly designs, plain or studded with jewels, which range in price all the way from $5 to $50; cut glass vinaigrettes with gold tops may be had from $12 to $50; dainty glove buttoners in a variety of designs run from $3 to $15, and a novelty is a line of gold prayer-book markers which cost from $5 to $7. Gold thimbles have always been highly prized by the ladies; they may be had from $4.50 to $12, and emerys, or needle sharpeners with gold tops to go with them, are worth $2.75; in same line are gold handled scissors from $15 to $20. A solid gold coin purse was shown at $60; a tie clasp for slippers, $20 is a very little device; a beautiful cloak clasp of very delicate pattern, was marked $35; umbrella markers at $3 and $3.50 and a number of small articles equally useful and ornamental are also shown. For the devout there is a handsome solid gold rosary and cross valued at $35. Belt buckles in various designs range from $25 to $50, and speaking of buckles the garter, always an object of interest must not be overlooked. Handsome garters with gold buckles of very delicate designs may be had from $17 to $30.

For the men folks there are cigar cutters, plain or diamond studded from $4 to $35; match boxes, plain or jeweled, all the way from $35 to $100, and briar wood pipes, gold mounted, from $11 to $15. Some beautiful solid gold handled pocket knives are shown at from $12 to $25; stamp boxes, $5 to $8, and cost no more than a key ring, from $2 to $20, and tie holders, plain gold, enameled, or jewelled, at from $4 to $25. Gold buckle suspenders range from $40 to $50, and garters from $30 to $36. Among the novelties shown are a gold-backed mustache brush at $16, and a physicians' themometer in a gold case at $25.

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CASES THE POLICE CAN'T SOLVE.

The Ringe and Raynard Murder Mysteries Are Two of Many.

SOME ASSASSINS AT LARGE.

A Partial Review of Unpunished Crimes Committed in St. Louis Within a Year.

Two murder mysteries simultaneously puzzling the authorities direct attention forcibly to the vast number of murderers who have, during the past year, defied the St. Louis Police Department. Beginning with the last Christmas tide homicides have piled up during the year until conditions have become alarming. In every one of the cases where foul play was not immediately evident in the tragedy the police have failed to arrest anyone. In many they have refused to believe that foul play existed, contending that death was natural or the result of suicide. In several cases where even the identities of the murderers have been irrefutably established they are still at large.

The two murders now baffling the police are those of Insurance Agent Carl Ringe and Saloonkeeper Harry H. Raynard. The reluctance of the police to abandon the suicide theory in the case of the former, although nothing has been adduced to show it to have been a suicide and everything that it was a murder, illustrates the attitude that has been assumed by the police in previous cases.

In the Raynard case, the escape of the probably guilty person or persons is to be charged against Coroner Walt's office, for, the police having arrested a man believed to have guilty knowledge, the Coroner's jury returned a verdict of death from unknown causes and ordered his release, in the face of circumstantial evidence showing Raynard to have been poisoned. Now that persons responsible for Raynard's death at the City Hospital on Tuesday have had ample chance to escape, additional evidence that he was murdered is being adduced, and the case promises some features as sensational as its contemporary, the Ringe case.

Every circumstance so far connected with the Ringe case, proves it to have been a murder. Ringe's body was found shortly after midnight last Friday at Fourteenth and Carr streets in such a position as to almost absolutely preclude the suicide theory. A man was seen to run into a dark hallway a few moments after the tragedy and to run out again. The wound itself was of such a character as to cause the physician who held the autopsy to conclude that murder had been done. The police insist upon suicide and are pursuing their investigation on that line, because two men who had to procure a lantern afterward to find the body, state they saw no one run from the scene, and that anyone running would have been plainly visible to them. Yet they did not see Ringe fall after they saw the flash of the revolver.

H. H. Raynard was taken fro a room at 710 Market street unconscious at 1 o'clock Sunday morning. At the City Hospital he was believed to be suffering from narcotic poisoning. He revived sufficiently to state that he had been in the room with Mamie Walker, and had been "doped" by her, and that he had lost a $300 diamond pin, his gold watch and chain and all the money he had. He lapsed into a lethargy again and remained unconscious until his death.

He died in agony, the blood vessels of his throat and nose bursting. Evidence corroborative of the man's ante-mortem statement is at hand. In addition it developed Thursday that on Wednesday of last week Raynard took to the drug store of John H. Allen, Seventh and Olive streets, a pint bottle partly filled with whisky and containing a white sediment for analysis, stating it had been given him by Mamie Walker, and that he believed she had attempted to poison him. He said the woman had repeatedly insisted upon his drinking from the bottle. Allen told him to return on Friday, but Raynard did not call again. Mr. Allen notified the police after Raynard's death and is quoted as saying that Detective Badger came around, smelled of the bottle and walked away. Harry Walker, the woman's lover, was arrested in Cincinnati before the inquest, but was released by telegraphic order from St. Louis. The Walker woman was in Chicago when last heard from.

A third mysterious tragedy is now puzzling the police, that in which Philip Schmitt lost his life Tuesday night, presumably by poison. He was found dead at 1520A Cass avenue, and his wife's actions were so suspicious that she is now in custody.

In the list of St. Louis murders of 1895, that of Ignatz Goldman, the old restaurant keeper at 2300 Olive street, stands out most prominently by reason of its ghastliness and its terrifying mystery. The old man was found on the night of October 2, dead on the floor of the back room of his place beneath a pile of soiled linen which had been set on fire. His skull had been crushed and his body was hacked. Subsequently John and Robert Birnie were arrested, but were released. The police have gone no further in the solution of the mystery, and in all probability the identity of the murderer will remain forever hidden.

The body of August Gohl was found at Ninth and Gratiot streets on the morning of May 4. He had been shot. His pockets were turned inside out and his pocket-book lay at some distance from the body. Kate Emory of 921 Gratiot street heard angry voices on the corner at 3 o'clock that morning. Another person saw a man running away from the place. The police could not see foul play, and no one was ever apprehended.

The police were notified on June 26 that a man had died in a room over a saloon at 1137 Washington avenue. He was Joaquin Cabrera, a race-horse man. The police knew the saloon to be the resort of toughs, yet at the Third District Police Station, from which the investigation was commenced, suggestions of foul play were discountenanced. An autopsy showed the man's skull to have been fractured and symptoms prior to his death and circumstances surrounding indicated also morphine poisoning. The case is now one of the unsolved mysteries of the St. Louis Police Department.

George Gruss, a tailor at 714 Wash street, was found unconscious in front of 47 North Broadway on the night of Sept. 4. He died in the ambulance en route to the City Dispensary. His skull had been fractured. Wm. Kenney was arrested because Gruss had objected to Kenney's attentions to his daughter, proved an alibi, and was released. There the matter rests.

Alexander Yule, a prominent business man of St. Louis, and President of the paint firm of Alex. Yule & Co., was found bound on the floor of his store, 213 North Fifteenth street, at 5 o'clock on the afternoon of Nov. 16 by an expressman in his employ. His face was battered, his skull injured and he was thoroughly exhausted by a desperate struggle he had just passed through with two robbers. While alone in the store half an hour before a man had entered and inquired of him "Where is Johnnie?"

As Yule turned to reply the fellow sprang upon him, clutched his throat and attempted to overpower him. Although 67 years old, Yule made a desperate resistance. A second assailant came to the assistance of the first and together they bound the old man, feet and arms, with rope, gagged him with a handkerchief and blindfolded him. Then they robbed him of $149 in bills and a silver dollar and made their escape.

The police lost valuable time trying to prove that Yule had robbed himself. The day he was robbed was pay day at the store, and the money taken was to have paid off Yule's men. Yule had collected a bill of $150 that day, receiving a check for that amount and cashing it at the German Savings Bank. The detectives learned that he had drawn no checks that day against his own bank account, that the rope that bound him had been taken from an awning next door and that he was three weeks in arrears on his rent. They therefore concluded that he had robbed himself and dropped the case entirely.

On Wednesday, Dec. 11, Yule died at his home, 4230 Page avenue, Tuesday afternoon, in avoiding a vehicle at Broadway and Pine street, he had fallen, striking his head on the granite pavement. At the Dispensary he was found to have sustained a slight scalp wound. Subsequent to his experience with the robbers he had complained constantly of dizziness and a post mortem held Wednesday afternoon developed that death was caused, not by injuries sustained Tuesday, but by an old fracture. This fracture was sustained in the struggle with the robbers.

The police, having slumbered a month on the case because they preferred to consider a reputable citizen a liar, will perhaps make some effort now to discover the identity of the murderers.

The murder of Chris Masterson by "Kid" Carroll was committed on April 28. Carroll is still at large. He had time, after the deed, to hail a cab, proceed to a hotel at Seventeenth and Olive streets, change his clothes and escape from the city. The murder was one of the most brutal in recent annals of the Police Department. Masterson was a bartender for Edward Dougherty at Sixth and Elm streets. Carroll entered the saloon just before daylight and crushed Masterson's skull with a beer mallet, beating the face also into unrecognizable shape.

Repeatedly after the murder the police were just about to apprehend Carroll, but they have not done so yet, and probably never will unless assisted by some lucky chance.

It was not quite dusk on the evening of Nov. 27 when Frederick Bowenkamp, a cigar dealer at 3227 Easton avenue, was murdered by one of a crowd of boys who had been persecuting him. The murderer was in plain view of several when he committed the deed, yet the police have failed to discover even his identity. Bowenkamp was behind his counter the afternoon before Thanksgiving Day. The boys began opening the door of his store, pelting him with snowballs and then making off. Bowenkamp finally captured one and attempted to chastise him. The boy broke loose, backed away a few steps, and hurled a brick at the man. It struck him over the heart, and he fell dead. A policeman who arrived at the scene a short time later failed to secure any information as to the identity of the boy.

It has been six months since Mallie Wade, the colored school teacher, was murdered by her lover, Charles Webb. The latter is still at large. Webb claimed to be a Mexican, and it is thought that there was Indian blood in his veins. He decoyed the unfortunate girl from her home on Grayois avenue, to a stable near her father's house, and there murdered her. The body was discovered shortly after daylight the next morning, only a few hours after the crime, but the St. Louis police could find no trace of the murderer, and are still in ignorance of his whereabouts.

The McLean Building, at Fourth and Market streets, has furnished its tragedies to baffle the police. The most recent and probably the most notorious was the death of Rebecca G. Land. On Jan. 24, the old woman was found dead on the bed in her room at 1 Rowse place, a valuable business property on Main and on Market streets. She had been murdered, but the police did not think it a murder when the body was found. They do not think so now, so have not been put to the trouble of ferreting out the murderer or ascertaining his whereabouts, once his identity had been established. The woman's neck and three of her ribs were broken when the body was found. This was ascertained by examination at the Morgue. Luckily for her slayer, however, symptoms of cancer were present, and the police set it down that cancer caused her death, and she left no friends to dispute it. All classes of people tenant the McLean building.

Little Abe Cohen was found dead on a vacant lot at Second and Randolph streets, shortly after daylight on April 22. The tracks of cart wheels led up to the body and stretched away from it toward Second street. The police of the Fourth District removed the body to the Morgue and then awaited the appearance of someone to identify it. They solemnly declared that there could have been no foul play, their chief argument then being that a murderer, having carted the body that far, would have gone two blocks farther and dumped it into the river at a convenient place provided by the city for the disposal of murdered people and other refuse. Later a theory was advanced at headquarters, that the boy had been sent on an errand, lost his way, and lying down in the lot, died spontaneously, so to speak. The autopsy showed death by strangulation, possibly due to some covert ailment of the throat, but more probably by the application of fingers to the wind-pipe or a towel to the mouth. The Post-Dispatch presented conclusive proof that the boy was murdered, and also clues as to the identity of the guilty party, but the authorities dropped the matter.

John, alias "Jake," Pallen is a murderer who has laughed at the St. Louis police since last Christmas Day. At 8 o'clock that evening he killed Harry Bleeck, the son of John Bleeck, his father-in-law, 214 South Fourth street, to visit his 2-year-old son Lawrence. He was separated from his wife, Mamie, and the agreement had been that she retain the little boy and that Pallen be permitted to see him every Sunday. He postponed his last visit until Christmas. The boy was playing in the hallway and Pallen, snatching him up, started for the door. Clara Bleeck, his wife's sister, interfered and Pallen leveled a revolver at her. Then John Bleeck, the father-in-law, tried to detain Pallen. The latter fired, the bullet striking Bleeck. He sank to the floor, and Pallen fired two more bullets into his body. Then Pallen carried the little boy to the house of Mrs. Priesterbach, 506 South Broadway, where he boarded, gave the child to his landlady and disappeared. A special detail of detectives were set upon his search for him. He was a man of wide acquaintanceship in St. Louis, and his crime was committed at a time when many persons were on the streets, yet, encumbered with the child, he got away from the scene of the crime before a policeman had responded to the shot, walked three blocks to get rid of the baby, and vanished. It was thought after the crime that Pallen had fled to East St. Louis, but the police failed to find him.

Century Building Trouble.

The Century Building Company, now engaged in erecting a ten-story building at Ninth and Olive streets, is having trouble with some of its contractors. Thursday morning a suit was filed in the Circuit Court against the Pullis Brothers Iron Company, which has the contract for the architectural iron work, to compel the fulfilment of the contract.

The petition alleges that the iron company has failed to comply with its agreement and that irreparable damage will result to the plaintiffs if the work does not go on at once.

Business Property at Auction.

General attention is being directed to the sale to be held Saturday by the Anderson-Wade Realty Co. of valuable business property on Main and on Market streets. The auction will take place at 12:30, the first piece being the substantial four-story brick building, No. 11 Market street, on a lot 32 feet 6 inches by 77 feet. This property is desirable for business purposes, and much interest is manifest as to the price it will bring. The figure is apt to serve as a precedent for future sales.

Christmas Is Coming.

Great bargains in McINTOSHES, RUBBER TOYS, FOOTBALLS, etc.

DAY RUBBER CO.,
413 N. Fourth St.

WHY MURDER IS RIFE IN ST. LOUIS.

Lack of Proper Co-Operation Between the Police and Coroner.

HARRY RAYNARD INSTANCE.

Everybody is Blaming Every One Else for the Easy Escape of His Murderers.

The slipshod manner in which the police and Coroner investigated the death of Harry H. Raynard has greatly displeased the dead man's friends.

Raynard was found dying at 11 o'clock Saturday night in Mamie Walker's room at a lodging house, 710 Market street. He told Mrs. Jordan, the landlady, her son and Ida Schroeder, a caller, that he came there the night before with the Walker woman and that she had drugged and robbed him. His $300 diamond stud was missing, his private papers were scattered over the bed as though his pockets had been hurriedly emptied of their contents. Raynard died Monday at the City Hospital.

During his stay at the hospital he was unconscious most of the time but in a few lucid intervals he repeated his statement that he had been drugged and robbed. When asked by whom he replied, "She did it."

After he was removed to the hospital the police made a search for the Walker woman and her alleged husband Harry, a gambler. They found that the pair had hurriedly left the city, presumably for Chicago, and had taken all their belongings with them.

Dr. Nietert performed an autopsy on the deceased Tuesday and stated that all the vital organs were more or less diseased. In his opinion death was due to fatty degeneration of the heart. The inquest was conducted by Deputy Coroner Theodore Gast.

Despite the evidence that Raynard's death was due to foul play, it was not deemed necessary to impanel a jury in the case and the testimony of the witnesses was written out by Deputy Coroner Gast. In the face of the ante-mortem statement of the deceased that he had been drugged and robbed by the Walker woman, the statements of the witnesses corroborating this, the nasty slight of the alleged guilty parties, as well as the disappearance of Raynard's $300 diamond stud, the Coroner arrived the verdict that the deceased came by his death from unknown causes.

On Tuesday Harry Walker, the alleged husband of the woman whom Raynard, in his ante-mortem statement, charged with drugging and robbing him, was arrested in Cincinnati on a telegram from Chief Harrigan. He told his wife he was in Chicago.

Chief Harrigan consulted with Coroner Walt as to what course to pursue, and upon the latter's statement that there was absolutely no evidence upon which the prisoners could be held, ordered the Cincinnati authorities to release Walker. At this time both the police and Coroner were in possession of all the information brought out at the inquest.

Today, after the case Thursday Dr. [illegible] This office is through with the [illegible] and we did all we could to establish the cause of this man's death, but were unsuccessful. Raynard's stomach was so thoroughly washed out at the Dispensary that all traces of any poison that he might have taken were completely obliterated. My own personal opinion is that Raynard was drugged and robbed by this woman, but how are we going to prove it? I could not establish the cause of death and I said so in my verdict. I am not the police department and if a crime has been committed it is their duty to ferret it out. They had the man arrested in Cincinnati. Leaving the question of Raynard's death out of the question they could have brought him and his wife back on the charge of stealing Raynard's diamond if they so desired. There are several witnesses who stated that the deceased spent the night he accompanied the Walker woman to her room. I declined to order the stomach of the deceased to be analyzed, simply because I do not want to put the city to what I consider a needless expense."

Chief of Detectives Desmond grew indignant Thursday when it was hinted that the police made a mistake in not having Walker brought back. "Bring him back?" he echoed, "what for? Didn't the Coroner say there was no evidence against the man or his wife? As the Coroner's verdict failed to show what the man died of, what charge could we place against either the man or woman even if we had them here?"

"How about charging them with stealing the diamond?" he was asked.

"How could we prove that, either?" replied Mr. Desmond. "Suppose that when Walker was arrested we found the diamond in his shirt and even suppose that was in the room with Raynard shortly before the latter was found and stated that Raynard had sold or given him the stone, how could we prove he was not telling the truth? The only one that could deny his story would be Raynard, and he is dead."

ROBBED HIS STEP-DAUGHTER.

That Is Why the Police Want Joseph Volbracht.

Rebecca H. Jonge, who keeps a saloon and boarding house at 2301 North Broadway, swore out a warrant Thursday, charging her step-father, Joseph Volbracht, with petit larceny.

She says he stole $25 from her cash drawer. Volbracht formerly kept a saloon at 4533 Easton avenue, but Mrs. Junge says he sold it while a mortgage hung over the place. His present whereabouts are unknown.

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St. Paul's Church Entertainment.

An entertainment for the benefit of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be given Friday evening at Turner Hall, corner Robert and Michigan avenues. A comedy, "The House Trap," will be followed by dancing. The Barracks Band is to furnish the music.

The Clover Leaf Trains.

Are Pintsch lighted. No danger from fire. Ticket office 505 Olive.

Highland Mining Co. Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Highland Mining and Manufacturing Co. the following officers were elected: C. Clemens, President; C. M. Christy, Vice-President; W. C. Morris, Secretary.

A. O. H. Election.

Division No. 5, A. O. H., will hold its regular meeting and election of officers Friday night. The division has made arrangements for its annual ball at Uhrig's Cave on Feb. 14.

F. H. Ingalls Is Ready. See Page 6.

WORRIED THE PENSIONER.

Richard Johnson Fined for His Eccentricities by Judge Stevenson.

Richard Johnson, colored, a furniture hauler, was sick Wednesday. He hadn't eaten anything for forty-eight hours, and was indiscreet enough to get full of whisky. Under these conditions it's Richard's failing to go to his home, 2712 North Eleventh street, and throw bric-a-brac at Nathan Dozier's head.

Nathan is an ex-Union soldier with one leg, and old enough to have been George Washington's body servant. He doesn't object so much to being hit in the head as he does to the language Johnson uses towards him.

When Johnson came home last night he inquired where the old man was, and smashed his son Frank in the jaw for practice. He then proceeded up-stairs where he sailed cuspidors and chairs at Dozier, used bad language, and varied the performances by giving the old pensioner a swift kick.

In the Second District Court Thursday morning Johnson was fined $20.

RUINED AND MURDERED.

Mildred Marshall the Victim of Her Half-Brother's Grime.

BREWTON, Ala., Dec. 12.—Thomas Marshall, a young farmer residing on Cedar Creek, near this place, was arrested by an angry mob of his neighbors last night and brought to jail here. He was accused of having ruined Mildred Marshall, his half-sister, and threatened to kill her if she told his wife.

The girl did tell his wife, and he enticed her from home, brained her with an ax and buried her in a gopher hole.

The body was discovered by boys playing around the gopher hole yesterday morning. Marshall confesses his crime. The neighborhood is much excited and may at any time take him from the jail, which is insecure, and lynch him.

Baron Dunleath Dead.

London, Dec. 12.—Baron Dunleath (John Mulholland, LL. D.) is dead, at the age of 77 years. He was a member of Parliament from 1874 to 1885.

JESSIE SIMS' MURDERER.

Alexander Royal Held Without Bail for the Grand-Jury.

Alexander Royal, colored, was arraigned in the Court of Criminal Correction, Thursday, for the murder of Jessie Sims on Nov. 20. He waived a preliminary hearing and was held to answer the Grand-Jury without bond.

Jailer Wagner feared that some harm would come to his boarder when four deputy sheriffs went in jail to get Royal. He went into the corridor of the Four Courts, ordered everybody off the stairway and closely scrutinized every negro who approached.

WM. BARR DRY GOODS CO. St. Louis THE ALWAYS BUSY STORE

HAPPY CHRISTMAS DAYS

Will be the natural result such buying as each day sees at Barr's. The St. Louis public has learned to expect a great deal of the big store, and is never disappointed. This year eclipses all others.

MAKE somebody happy with a selection from **CLOTHS** and **FLANNELS.**

54-inch Fur Back Cloaking, in fancy diagonals, $1.50 quality, for only 98c. Don't miss this bargain.

32-inch Scotch Plaid Flannelette, worth 15c, for only 10c. Splendid for children's school dresses and Ladies' House Wrappers.

THINK of the pleasure a gown from these at **SILK** department will give.

15 pieces 28-inch extra heavy quality Black Japanese Silk, Lyons dye, 59c; worth 95c.

10 pieces 24-inch Black Brocaded Satins, new designs, in large patterns, 85c; worth $1.25.

HOW will one of these suit for a Christmas present? You'll find them in **MUSLIN UNDERWEAR** department.

Ladies' Silk Underskirts, in colored stripes, $4.95; worth $9.00.

Ladies' Fancy Knit Underskirts, pink, blue, drab, cardinal and black, $1.00, $1.50, $1.85, $2.00 and $3.50.

WE have just bought 84 elegant **OSTRICH BOAS,** 1¾ yards long, from a large jobbing house.

They are $12.00 Boas. You can have your pick at $7.00 each.

All of our elegant imported Hats, for this sale, $5.00 to $8.00 each.

Two big tables laden with Ladies' handsome **WINTER JACKETS** present an opportunity seldom offered at this season; just in time, too, to make the Christmas gift a sensible, practical one.

Prices marked down to half and less than half. Prices range from $5.00 to $15.00 for Jackets that were $10.00 to $25.00

A big lot of Ladies' Fur Neck Scarfs at $1.00, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, such as you would ordinarily pay as much again for.

WE will close all our Nottinghams, Antiques and Fine Casiban **LACE BED SPREADS** at one-half their regular prices.

Nottingham Lace Bed Sets now $1.50, were $3.00.

Nottingham Lace Bed Sets now $1.75 were $3.50.

Nottingham Lace Bed Sets now $1.95 were $4.00.

Nottingham Lace Bed Sets now $2.50 were $5.00.

Antique Lace Bed Sets now $7.00 were $12.00.

Antique Lace Bed Sets now $9.00 were $15.00.

Antique Lace Bed Sets now $10.50 were $15.50.

Antique Lace Bed Sets now $12.50 were $20.00.

Casiban Lace Bed Sets now $12.50 were $20.00.

Casiban Lace Bed Sets now $15.00, were $25.00.

YESTERDAY we bought from a prominent jobber two lots of exceedingly desirable **DRESS GOODS** at 50 cents the dollar of what they cost him.

This is the way Barr's sells them, just in time for Christmas giving:

20 pieces 42-inch All-Wool Novelty Plaids at a yard.

20 pieces 42-inch All-Wool French Diagonals 39c a yard.

Regular retail price of these is $1.25 a yard. A day bargain worth coming for.

FRIDAY'S **CORSET** bargain, and, as usual, it is a remarkable one.

$1.50 Coats for 75c—About 15 dozen of a well-known and popular Corset, long waist, with double side steels and well boned, all sizes, usual price $1.50. This lot.

A SPLENDID Christmas bargain in **KID GLOVES.**

A variety of Dressed Kid and Suede, in almost every color and black, and regular values, $1.25 to $1.75; they all go for 78c pair.

47 dozen Point Venice Collars, 9 inches deep, $1.00 each; regular value $1.50.

27 dozen Point Applique Bureau Sets, 1 scarf 18 inch and 3 small mats to match, 58c set complete; regular $1.25 goods.

COME and select your Christmas **HANDKERCHIEFS** before the crowd gets even more dense than now.

At 10c—1000 dozen Gents' Colored Bordered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, splendid patterns; also, a lot of fine White Hemstitched and Corded, worth 15c and 17c each, choice at 10c each, $1.10 a dozen.

At 15c—500 dozen Ladies' Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs; all new, choice styles, worth 20c and 25c, choice at 15c each.

CHOOSE wisely—choose well. You'll do both if you select in Barr's **UMBRELLA** department.

Men's 28-inch Twilled Silk Umbrellas, fine natural wood handles, or large horn hook handles, silk case and tassel, $1.50.

Ladies' Dresden, Gold or Trimmed Natural Wool Handles, Twilled Silk Umbrellas, with case and tassel, 26-inch, $1.75.

FANCY-WORK **RIBBONS** just in time for Christmas.

5c yard—Lot of Bright Shades in No. 7 Crown Edge All-silk Moire Ribbon, worth 10c yard, special at 5c yard.

25c Yard—No. 22 best quality Satin and Gros Grain, sold elsewhere at 37c yard, in all colors, special at 25c yard.

FOUR hints for holiday buyers from our **NOTIONS** Department. There are thousands of useful and ornamental articles besides.

1 lot Colored Plush Photograph Albums, real value $1.25, at 50c each.

Wood Writing Desks, richly inlaid top, $1.25 each; a genuine bargain.

Real Leather-covered Writing Tablets, in black, brown and tans, with patent reversible top, $1.49 each, worth $2.00.

A special bargain for Xmas Present: Quadruple-plated Toilet Set, $5.29, worth $7.00.

TWO good selections from the best **BLACK GOODS** stock in St. Louis.

45-inch Black All-wool Brocaded Mohair Cloth, only 50c.

$3.50 box patterns of 7 to 8 yard length Black All-wool Goods from $1.50 to $5.00 a pattern.

10-yard pattern in Black and White Flannelettes, $1.00 a pattern.

SELECT from **HOSIERY** and you'll make no mistake.

Women's Natural, Plain, Merino Vests, high neck, long sleeves, drawers to match, a great big bargain, 39c; worth 50c.

Children's Ribbed and Plain Wool Hose, one of the best bargains ever offered to hosiery buyers, 12½c; regular price 25c.

THAT Barr's lead in Fine **FOOTWEAR** is an accepted fact. We present to Friday shoppers two especially good items.

"20th Century" Shoes, this is the newest last and toe tip, button or lace, at $5.50 pair.

On the bargain counter you'll find bargains in Misses' Shoes, with the price dropped from $2.75 to $1.50.

We have Children's and Misses' Shoes in great variety, handsome, dressy and practical.

WE still have in stock desirable lots of **HORSE BLANKETS** from our purchase from the Piqua Fabric Co., Piqua, O., and will offer them in 4 lots to close out quickly, making also special prices by the dozen. Livery stable-keepers will notice and take advantage of such an opportunity.

Full size Horse Blankets, with all necessary attachments, 89c each.

Full size Horse Blankets, strong, well made, 69c each.

Full size Horse Blankets, very heavy, 79c each.

Full size Horse Blankets, extra large, 89c each.

Fine China Clocks

Artistically decorated with pretty floral designs, worth $5.

$3.00

MARBLE Busts, Figures and Pedestals.

Exquisite pieces of Royal Vienna, Royal Sevres, Royal Dresden, Crown Derby, Doulton and Coalport.

$2.25 For Quadruple Silver-Plated Fern Dishes, has separate inside pan and pretty handles.

25c For Fine Two, Three and Four Steel Blade Pocket Knives, worth 50c.

Dolls, Toys, Games, Etc.,

At prices that tempt everyone.

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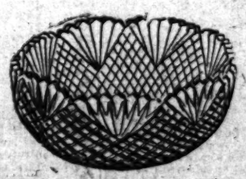
At greatly reduced prices.



$4.50 For 8-inch rich Cut Glass Fruit or Salad Bowl, very heavy and cut very brilliant; they would be cheap at $7.50.

Pictures.

Colored Photos, Oil Paintings, Pastels, Water Colors, Fine Etchings, Venetian Panels, Photogravures,

Fitted in the very newest frames at remarkably low prices.

25c For your choice of several styles of fine China Cups and Saucers, all handsomely decorated with pretty designs and gold; these are very cheap; worth 50c.

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In Vast Varieties.

FRENCH, GERMAN, ENGLISH and other makes at prices that are reasonable.

Beautiful FRENCH VASES, with hand-painted subjects of ancient emperors, queens, etc., on fine China, and worth $5.00,

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the conqueror of worlds, died in 1821, 25 years before Pond's Extract, the conqueror of pain, was discovered. Napoleon's greatness dimmed with his years; Pond's Extract's greatness increases.

POND'S EXTRACT WILL Sore Throat, Frost CURE Bites, Lameness, Rheumatism, Wounds, Piles, Earache, Sprains, Sore Eyes, Hoarseness, Inflammations, Soreness, Burns, Bruises, Sore Feet, and Hemorrhages.

THE DOCTOR'S ADVICE.

N., Phila.—Have a burning sensation in my stomach. Digestion poor. Sallow complexion. Please advise.

Take one Gastrine after meals. Natrolithic Salts, teaspoonful in a half tumbler of hot water, before breakfast.

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WHERE JUSTICE IS BLIND AND LAZY.

Lawyers Up in Arms Against the Justice Courts.

STRONG ANTIPATHY TO WORK

Since the Salary System Came in Vogue Constables and Judges Don't Care for Small Business.

The lawyers are up in arms over conditions that have arisen since the new Justice of the Peace law went into effect. They say that under the salary system—Dennis Devoy's idea—it is difficult to get the Justices or the Constables to perform their duties.

The first gun in a campaign against them will be fired before the close of this month by Attorney Rozier Meig. He will file a suit against Constable Ben Brady in the sum of $5,000—on his bond—for neglect of duty. A judgment of $1,500 will probably be asked. This suit grows out of Attorney Meig's recent mandamus against the same constable.

Over a month ago Attorney Meig, in behalf of a client, applied to Justice Spaulding for a writ of attachment to the amount of $96.50. Suitable bond was given and the writ turned over to Brady to serve.

The next day the attorney called at the justice's office to learn the outcome and was informed that Constable Brady had not served the writ. This action was continued from time to time, until Mr. Meig grew tired. Asking the Constable why the orders of the court had not been complied with he was informed because $5.30 for costs had not been deposited in advance. Attorney Meig offered Brady first 50 cents, then $1.00, whereas, he claims, all the Constable was entitled to was 20c, but he refused to execute the writ. Then came the mandamus.

Later Mr. Meig applied for a warrant against Brady, which, after much delay, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Johnson granted. The warrant charged Brady, under section No. 3,537, of exacting illegal fees, in performing duties for which he is paid by the city.

The punishment provided is a fine not to exceed $500, or a six months' sentence in the city jail, or both. Next day Brady and his bush called on Mr. Johnson and persuaded him to withdraw the warrant.

Attorney Meig also cited another instance of the Justice shop antipathy for work. He had a client, Mary Robinson, who wanted to sue her employer, Ernest Rushin—the man who employed Mary Harmon, Frederick Barnett's victim, for three months' services as housekeeper, at $16 per month. She was without a cent in the world and Attorney Meig explained to Justice Hanley that she wanted to bring suit as a poor person. He would bring her to court and the Justice could examine into the case and see if she was worthy.

"It's no use to bring her here," said Justice Hanley. "We only take cases of people who have money." Mr. Meig says there were cases brought under the old system when Justices received a fee, and Hanley would lose nothing by the suit.

And there are others who have grievances against justices and constables. Deputy Sheriff Johns of Memphis is thoroughly disgusted with St. Louis methods. A few weeks ago Mr. Johns came here to attach a horse of his, running at the Fair Grounds. He had given the horse to a man to run for him, with the agreement that all purses should be divided. The horse won several races, but Mr. Johns got no accounting. Then he came to St. Louis to regain his horse and sue for some of the money. The morning he arrived here he learned the man who had the horse was preparing to ship it to California that night.

Mr. Johns' first move was to see his attorney, who advised him to get out a writ of attachment. It was nearly noon when, with a bondsman, he visited Justice Shea-han's court. That worthy said he was busy, and referred Mr. Johns to Justice Spaulding.

Justice Spaulding objected to the low valuation put upon the horse, because it made the bond small accordingly, but finally issued the writ. It was turned over to a deputy constable for service, who, after finding it a few minutes, remarked: "You don't expect us to work Saturday afternoon, do you?"

He didn't work, either, and the turfman skipped to California with Mr. Johns' horse.

And still there are others. J. Frank Geiger, the liveryman, tells his little tale of woe about Justices and Constables who won't work.

Mr. Geiger had a bill of $30 against one of his boarders, who had failed in business. He wanted to get out an attachment on the man's horse and wagon. First he called on Justice Sheahan. He was too busy and referred Mr. Geiger to Justice Spaulding.

Justice Spaulding didn't care to take such small claims. Downtown Justices didn't have to; they got business enough. Mr. Geiger had better go out on Chouteau avenue and see Justice Kleiber. So in a pouring rain Mr. Geiger sought the Chouteau avenue Justice.

From Kleiber's Court he was sent to Justice Kline, in Rock Springs. Arriving there it was too late to issue the writ, so after a day's journey Mr. Geiger returned home. In the meantime the horse and wagon was sold and the liveryman fa cout his board bill. Mr. Geiger says under the old system he never saw a Justice too busy to take a case.

Another phase of the affair is the disinclination of reputable attorneys to try cases in Justices' Courts.

They say it is impossible to win a case if you don't "stand in," Judge J. P. Vastine, Attorney Carl Ungar and a host of others condemn the present justice system.

"I rarely ever argue cases before a justice," said Attorney Ungar. "I let the other side submit their testimony and then rest the case. If it goes against me I take an appeal."

Since Attorney Meig brought his action against Ben Brady he is boycotted by down-town justices and has to take all his cases to outlaying districts.

Even Dennis Devoy, who framed the present bill, admits collections this year from justices' courts are woefully behind. He says there are fees from last January against prominent firms that have not been collected.

But the justices don't intend to let the lawyers have things all their own way. It is said they are now compiling a pamphlet of blacklisted attorneys. One of these pamphlets will be placed in the hands of every justice and will contain the names of all lawyers who won't pay costs after their clients have refused to do so.

EDMUNDS REBUKES ZACHRITZ

The Judge Tells the Prosecuting Attorney That He Is Too Easily Excited.

The trial of ex-Policeman James Prosser in the Criminal Court Wednesday was one continual round of anger-inspiring questions and hot retorts. Ex-Officer Lee Smith, who was with Prosser at the time he shot the father of young Tourville Palmer, a witnes against Smith, was on the witness stand most all morning. He was a poor witness for the defense, and during the cross-examination by the State his testimony was torn to pieces.

During one portion of Smith's testimony Judge Claiborne, Prosser's attorney, asked for a subpoena for Adolph Kleintopf, clerk of the Second District Police Court. The Circuit Attorney then asked for a subpoena for Judge Stevenson.

Circuit Attorney Zachritz received a scathing rebuke from Judge Edmunds during the cross-examination of Smith.

"You are getting too excited," said the Court to the young attorney. "The Circuit Attorney should not lose his temper, for it is unbecoming the dignity of a court room."

Arguments in the Prosser case will begin Thursday morning.

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LIFT THE BLOCKADE.

The Order Is Made That Olive Street Be Cleared.

The blockade of the sidewalk on the north side of Olive street between Ninth and Tenth must be lifted. For several months the public has been deprived of the use and enjoyment of the walk because a large section of it and a portion of the street are inclosed by fence around the excavation for the Century building. The same condition exists on the south side of Locust street.

Merchants on Olive street in the block of which the Century building is to form a part, have been seriously inconvenienced and subjected to some loss by the blockade and consequent diversion of travel from in front of their houses, and they stood it all without complaint as long as the contractor on the new building seemed to be making an effort to clear the passage.

Their patience was finally exhausted, and Wednesday they appealed to the Post-Dispatch for assistance. A reporter was detailed to guide a committee from the business men affected by the blockade to the Street Commissioner's office.

The committee filed its protest, and Commissioner Milner said the contractor on the new building would be notified to remove the obstructions by Saturday, and in the event that he fails to do so steps would be taken to force him to act.

The contractor claims that the delay in removing the obstructions from the sidewalk is due to the bad weather, and he says the blockade will soon be lifted.

TO SEND HIM TO DWIGHT.

Frank Reckinger's Parents Have a Guardian Appointed for Him.

A jury in the Probate Court Wednesday afternoon decided that Frank Reckinger is mentally unsound and incapable of managing his own affairs. Nicholas Reckinger, his father, was appointed guardian.

This case is unusual. It is the first instance in St. Louis where a man's relatives have gone into court to have a guardian appointed to send him to the Kesley Institute in a last effort to reform him.

The trial developed that Reckinger has reached the age of 28 and never worked a day in his life. This testimony was given by his mother, Mrs. Annie Reckinger, who filed the information against him. The gray-haired mother told the story of her son's life of dissipation and shame in a trembling voice.

His latest escapade was his promise to marry Kate Knuewe, a servant in his parents' home, who is now in the City Hospital.

Mrs. Reckinger told how Frank had commenced his drinking habits when he was 17 years old and gradually became an abject slave to the liquor habit. He associated with the lowest characters and seemed lost to all moral shame. He frequently took the clothes off his back to get liquor.

It was shown that Reckinger received an injury to his head when four years old and once while on a spree he was clubbed by a policeman.

Dr. J. K. Bauduy testified that Reckinger is a dipsomaniac and is utterly irresponsible. He said that when suffering from this disease a man is not morally responsible for his actions. Dr. Bauduy considered that the cause of Reckinger's insanity was the blow he received on the head when a child.

Dr. Keating Bauduy testified in a similar strain. Other witnesses testified to Reckinger's inordinate desire for drink and the fact that he would do anything to obtain it.

Frank Reckinger was present in the court, but seemed utterly indifferent to the proceedings. He made no defense and was not represented by counsel.

RUBBING IT IN ON M'MATH.

He Started the City Hall Investigation and Will Get All the Blame.

"I have about all the work I can well attend to now, but if they decide to put me in charge of the City Hall construction I will go over there with a club and make those fellows stand around."

When he said this Water Commissioner Holman dug his hands deep into his trousers pockets and looked much like a man who was in earnest. The remark grew out of a discussion of the report that the Municipal Assembly was to be asked to remove Mr. McMath from the task of supervising the work at the new City Hall and replace him with Commissioner Holman.

It is pretty well understood now that the Heckel Committee will wind up its work today and that in its report it will show nothing that the public does not already know. The information elicited is co-extensive with that supplied by President McMath of the Board of Public Improvements. The responsibility for the condition of affairs has not been gone into at all. The whole blame will be thrown upon McMath and Burnett and the shirking contractors will be allowed to go with a wordy reprimand. For some reason or other McMath is the man who is mostly blamed and this, it is claimed, because he was chiefly responsible for the investigation.

The truth of the matter is that the committee finds itself in an absurd position. They started in with a brass band and with a boastful declaration of the great things they expected to accomplish. They were going to pave up a large section of the earth. For some reason which is not hard to guess they fell down at an early stage of the game. It was found that the men who were most culpable were most influential and that it would be ill-advised to censure them. Accordingly a large bucket of white-wash was provided and has been liberally used.

At the meeting Thursday afternoon the last coating will be administered and the farce will come to an end.

Those Complaining of Sore Throat or Hoarseness should use "Brown's Bronchial Troches."

HE SOLD OVERCOATS.

But They Were Not the Kind One Would Care to Wear.

Clerk George Moore of the Planters' Hotel has had an experience he won't soon forget.

Wednesday morning a broad-shouldered fellow, bundled up in a storm coat, approached the Planters' desk and registered: "George Moore, New York." Mr. Moore behind the counter smiled blandly as he assigned the visitor to a room, then reaching out his hand said: "Excuse me, Mr. Moore; I want to introduce myself. My name is George Moore also."

"Glad to meet you, Mr. Moore," said Mr. Moore of New York.

Then the traveling man asked for a sample room.

"What's your line?" asked the genial clerk.

"Overcoats."

"Overcoats? Ah, just the thing I need. I do hate to wear an overcoat two winters."

"Come up after awhile and look over my line," said Mr. Moore of New York. "If you find one that suits you you can have it at cost, and I guarantee you'll never need another."

So Mr. Moore of the Planters' called on Mr. Moore of New York. But when he saw the "line" he nearly had a fit. There were overcoats all right, but they were wooden overcoats—Mr. Moore of New York sold coffins and shrouds.

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SHYLOCKS DISCUSS THEIR BUSINESS.

They Are Hard Hit by the "Innocent Purchaser" Decision.

SOME OF THEM ADMIT IT.

Others Claim It Doesn't Matter, But They All Object to Having It Published.

The opinions handed down by the Court of Appeals, as chronicled in the Post-Dispatch Wednesday, are proving troublesome to the Shylocks. Some of them say the rulings of the court will not affect them, while others admit that doing away with the occupation of the "innocent purchaser" of notes will make the business much harder to handle. All of them agree that a discussion of the money lender's business through the columns of the Post-Dispatch is the worst misfortune that can befall them.

A reporter secured interviews Wednesday afternoon with a number of money lenders.

S. S. Porter, 902 Olive street, said: "That same decision quoted in the Post-Dispatch was rendered long ago at Kansas City. It won't affect my business, for I am not lending money now. I am closing out and intend to engage in other business."

The reporter asked Mr. Porter if he was retiring from the money-lending business why he paid for an advertisement in the newspapers, offering to lend money, but no reply was forthcoming.

Continuing, Mr. Porter said: "The opinion will not make a particle of difference in the volume of the money lender's business. There always will be people who are compelled to borrow, and somebody will lend. If all people were honest we could afford to make loans for the legal rate of interest."

C. H. Becker, manager of the Anchor Loan Co., 1084 North Eighth street: "I do not see how the money-lenders can get any satisfaction out of those opinions handed down by the Court of Appeals, nor from the publicity the Post-Dispatch is giving the matter. Still the decision will not drive us out of business. We seldom find it necessary to go to court to collect our notes, and it is only when we get in court that the opinions of the Court of Appeals will affect us. And in that event we would get our principal with a trifle added for making out the necessary papers and the legal rate of interest. Now, the less this question is agitated in the papers the better it is for us. But we are not quite as bad as we oftentimes are pictured. It is true we charge pretty high for the use of money, but we never force anybody to come in and patronize us. We do is to convince ourselves that the party can pay us. He knows just exactly how much his loan will cost him before it is made. We hardly ever close in on a person, and we have frequently extended payments as many as three months without charging a cent for it. Then in case we make a loan of $40 for a year, and $1.25 for it, if the borrower wants to repay it before his notes are due we knock off $1.25 for each month cancelled. The papers always see the bad features of our business but never the good. As a matter of fact we are the best friend of our patrons. Where no one else will lend them money, we let them have enough to tide them over an emergency. We allow them to pay in small installments and the property they mortgage to us is retained in their possession. The rate of interest may be a little higher than the legal rate, but if we could get as good security as those who lend for the legal rate we could afford to make a better rate. In case of sickness or death the money-lenders are often the only source of relief and the borrower is glad to pay the rate asked. We frequently lose loans too, and of this the public hears nothing. A borrower may be visited by a fire and his goods destroyed, then we are left. Sometimes, too, the borrower is dishonest and moves on us, and we are again left. Our rate must necessarily be high enough to cover these occasional losses. We pay the Post-Dispatch a big sum for advertising each year, and yet it is the hardest paper in the city for publishing news tended to injure us."

J. L. Lefman, Manager of the Household Loan Co., 1105 Wash street: "I really do not think the opinion by Judge Bond as published in the Post-Dispatch will affect our business to any appreciable extent. We can always get our principal, together with the costs for making out papers, and interest at the rate of 8 per cent. We can get this even if the case gets into court. Whether it hurts us or not depends on the customer we have to deal with. But very few of our loans ever take us into the courts."

The manager of the Morgan Loan Co., at 1106 Morgan street, declined to give his name to the reporter. In commenting on the article in Wednesday's Post-Dispatch, he said: "The same opinion has been rendered half a dozen times before, and there is really nothing new in it. We shylocks expect just such attacks at intervals, and they are usually forthcoming. We do not have many cases get into the courts, for we discriminate and only lend to patrons who we think will keep their agreements. The opinion as rendered by Judge Bond and published does not worry us. We lend money and get 8 per cent in addition to a fair price for making out the papers and expect to continue in the business."

J. H. Graham, manager of the Eastern Loan Company, 714½ Chestnut street: "The law has always been pretty severe on money lenders, and the construction put upon the law in Judge Bond's decision is bound to injure us. Naturally any law against usury injures us. Still, these opinions do not hurt us so much as do the accounts and comments of the newspapers. The opinions of the courts do not count for much, because it is only in rare cases that we have to go to court in order to settle our differences with our patrons. I lend money on household furniture, but do not care to state what rate of interest I charge. I am sorry the question has to be agitated, as it prejudices the public opinion against us."

The man in charge of the business of the Union Loan Company, at 1103 Pine street, when he learned the reporter's mission, said: "We are out of this money lending business at present. The advertisment in the newspapers is kept there in the hope of getting back some of the money we lost when we did lend money. In case the advertisement were not there, some of the parties who owe us might think we had left, and would not pay us what they owe. The opinion quoted does not affect us, as we are practically out of the business. I do not care to be quoted at all, and prefer to keep our concern's name out of the paper. When we do want it to appear in print we are ready and willing to pay for it."

At the Commercial Loan Agency, 712 Pine street, the manager could not be found, but Mr. Volker, who formerly owned the business was seen. "This law is a bad one," said Mr. Volker, "and will have a telling effect on the money lenders' business. I saw this thing coming and sold out three months ago. This law is a bad one, and the newspapers ought to protect the money lenders. They should get a larger rate of interest than the pawnbrokers, for the risk is greater. The pawnbroker has possession of the goods until the loan is paid, but the money lender is at the mercy of the borrower. The opinion rendered in the Court of Appeals, which says the law will not protect an innocent purchaser of notes will pretty nearly knock out the money lenders' business."

Mr. Alexander of the Fidelity Loan Company, 502 Chestnut street: "This opinion, as rendered in the Court of Appeals, is the severest blow that has befallen the money lenders for a long time. And yet it does not hurt so much as the newspaper comment that accompanies it. The papers take our money for advertising our business and then thrust the knife in us by agitating this question. The public has an erroneous impression of the profits arising from the conduct of a loan agency. You have no idea how much we lose. We lend money sometimes to parties we think are good. We secure the loan by a mortgage on the furniture. The parties may have a fight and break up the furniture. Then we have only a lot of kindling to get our money out of. Such cases as this sometimes occur."

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One tells the other and all say our Jewelry Department is unsurpassed for pretty styles and low prices.

The great sale of the MILLER MFG. CO. stock of Jewelry is still on to-morrow. Friday we will offer the cream of the stock.

Gold-filled Cluster Rings, set with Emeralds, Garnets, Turquoise, etc., worth $1.00, at 33c
Solid gold-chased Band Rings, worth 75c, for 21c
Gold-Filled Brilliant Emerald and Garnet Rings, set in solitary settings, worth, 50c and 75c, at 10c
Children's and Misses' Gold and Silver Plate Link Bracelet, worth 75c, at 39c
3,000 Gold-Filled Earrings, set with Rhinestones, Pearls and various assortment of stones, worth 50c and 75c, at 15c
A very large assortment of Breastpins, beautifully enameled and set with different stones, to close out, some worth 50c and some worth 75c, at 15c
Sterling Silver-Mounted Side Combs, worth 50c, at 21c
Solid Silver Umbrella Clasps, worth 40c, at 19c
Real Pearl Sleeve Buttons, with any initial, worth 50c a pair, at 19c
Imitation Shell Hair Ornaments, worth 25c, at 7c

Our New Glove Dept.

An appropriate Christmas gift, Black and Colored Four-Button Kid Glove, worth $1.00; for Friday 59c
$1.50 French Kid Glove in four-button and five-hook, in black and street shades, fitted and warranted, for $1.00
75c Ladies' Fine Silk Mittens, fancy and plain back; for Friday 39c

Art Needle Work.

65c Silk Head Rests, hand-painted floral designs, For Friday 39c
Fancy Silk Tassels, in plain and two-toned; sold elsewhere at 35c a dozen 21c
Silk Chenille and Tinsel Cord; worth 20c; for Friday 10c
$1.25 Double School Bags, made of best felt, with initial and nickel-plated rings, for 69c

Leather Goods.

Traveling Bags.

Alligator Bags, with strap for shoulder; sold everywhere at $2.50; For $1.50
Gladstone and Patent Top Bags; worth $7.00; For $4.50
One lot of handsome Leather Music Rolls in black and tan; worth $1.00; for 49c
Children's Leather Pocketbooks; sold elsewhere for 20c, for 19c
Combination Pocketbooks and Card Case, Sterling Silver corners; worth $1.00; for 49c

The Great Doll Carnival

Now in session, the most beautiful selection of French, German, Jap and American Beauties.

14-inch Kid Body Jointed French Bisque Head, worth 30c; for 19c
16-inch Indestructible jointed limbs, genuine Bisque Head, natural hair; sold everywhere at $1.25 ..... 93c
2,000 well-dressed Bisque Head Dolls, with natural Real hair, jointed limbs, beautifully dressed with shoes and stockings, pretty trimmed hat; the kind others ask 50c; as a bargain; our price 24c
Fine imported Bisque Dolls, full jointed, very pretty face, with handsome silk dress, and bonnet, trimmed with lace and ribbon, lace-trimmed underwear, with shoes and stockings; the kind you pay $2.00 for $1.00
25c cunning little jointed dolls of Jap, Indian, Darkies, Chinamen, etc, at 12c
See the handsome dolls; look as natural as life; positively the greatest bargain in the city, at ..... $1.25 to $15.00

Holiday Goods.

The sample line from H. Rosenblat & Co., Chicago, is creating great enthusiasm with the lady shoppers who visit our store and buy holiday goods at 50c on the dollar. We quote only a few of the many bargains.

$1.00 Celluloid Toilet Sets, with elegant comb, brush and mirror, at 49c
$2.00 Celluloid and Leather Collar and Cuff Boxes, at 85c
$1.00 Celluloid Photo Album, at 49c
50 Traveling Sets, in genuine leather case, consisting of toilet and manicure articles, some with celluloid fittings, and worth from $5.00 to $8.00, to close out Friday, for $1.99
75c beautiful Toilet Bottles, with pretty filigree work, for 25c
Japanese Trays, beautifully designed, worth 38c, for Friday 29c

Useful Xmas Presents

In Our China, Glass and Silverware Dept.

German China Tea Sets of 56 pieces, in pretty decorations, regular price $8, at $4.50
Central Draft Banquet Lamp, decorated china column, complete, with 14-inch silk shade, regular price $4.00, at $1.98
Beautiful China Bread Plate, in pink, blue and yellow tints, regular price 35c, at 22c
Mush and Milk Sets, consisting of plate, bowl and creamer, in various tints, regular price 40c, at 25c
Real Cut Glass Water Bottle, strawberry and fan cutting, 11 rows, regular price, $4, at $1.78
Etched Wine Glasses, regular price 7c, at 2c

Ladies' Underwear.

30c Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Balbriggan Vests, sateen down the front; pearl buttons; for Friday and Saturday 25c

Special Bargain.

Odd lot Children's Heavy Natural Merino Vests, worth from 25c to 35c; all sizes; for Friday and Saturday 17c

Furs.

$2.98 Gray Krimmer Muffs, for $1.98
$2.50 Children's White Lamb's Wool Sets, for Friday $1.49
$4.50 Genuine Mink Scarfs, for $2.79

THE TIME HAS COME

BUY your Christmas Gifts to-morrow. We offer an elegant line of useful articles, necessary to the happiness of every family. From basement to roof we are crowded with the choicest selection of good and perfect gifts. Popular prices prevail in every department and your dollars will reap a double harvest.

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In selling the best grades at popular prices. Nobody ever has and we will see to it that they never can equal our reductions in

Capes and Jackets.

Capes.

A popular style Cape is the double Circular, extra full width and tailor finish, elegant quality Melton, in navy and black, regular value $7.50; Friday at $2.95

We have a limited number of single Circular Capes, with wide storm collar. This garment is of best quality Boucle Cheviot, trimmed with thibet fur, very sightly, regular value $9; $3.95

Shall offer choice of an odd lot of Capes, some of melton, others of boucle, broadcloth and tweeds, all of the newest shapes and styles, regular value from $10 to $18; $7.45

Listrene Plush Circular Capes, extra full width, edged all around with Japanese braid, lined with heavy satin rhadame, actual value $15; $8.49

Genuine Seiette Plush, double military cape, with wide storm collar, to stand or roll, heavy silk lining, fur trimmed, actual value $13; $9.98

Genuine wear-resisting Astrachan Fur Cape, 30 inches, extra full width, high storm collar, silk lining, usually sold at $18.75; $8.45

Fine quality Belgian Coney Fur Cape, 27 inches long, full sweep, wide collar, to stand or roll, silk lined all through, worth $10.75; $4.95

Our Novelty Scotch Mixture Newmarket for children from 4 to 14 years, in browns and grays, with school bag to match, a handsome, comfortable garment for the children, regular value $10.50; $6.48

Jackets.

A handsome tailor finish Reefer Jacket, of English melton, with extra full sleeves and box front, in brown, grays and black, regular value $6.75; $2.65

A nobby Jacket, of fine Kersey, with 4-button box front effect, full ripple back and mandolin sleeves, wide velvet collar, in browns and tans, a beauty, usually sold at $10; $4.58

An odd lot of Box Reefer Short Coats, of latest cut and design, some of chinchills, others of kersey, camel's-hair and cheviots. These are very swell garments and actually worth from $10 to $18; choice on Friday. $6.49

Our staple garments of French Boucle Cheviot, wide box front, 4-button effect with collar to button close to the throat or roll, lined with silk throughout, usually sold at $16.75; will go on $7.98

Special.

An odd lot of Parisian Jackets and Capes, very desirable as evening garments, handsomely trimmed and lined with bright colors, in satin, very dressy and actually worth from $17.50 to $35; will go on Friday at $6.50, $7.50, $9.50

Wrappers.

A fine Flannelette Wrapper, in all colors, stripes and checks, made with yoke and Bretelle shoulder effect, full width skirt, waist lined, regular value $1.50; Friday at 89c

Children's Dresses.

An all-wool Flannelette Dress for children from 4 to 14 years, pretty checks and plaids, all colors, waist and sleeves lined, actual value $1.75; 98c

Millinery.

(Basement Salesroom.)

500 dozen assorted Felt Shapes, all this season's styles, a mountain of them to move at 1c
1000 dozen Fancy Feathers, every conceivable form and color, a rich lot, worth 50c, at 1c

Ostrich Feather Boas.

Just imported—a most suitable gift for any young lady.
$12 Boas we will sell at $6.00
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$5 Beauties at $2.50
$10 Trimmed Hats at $5.00
$15 Trimmed Hats at $7.50
25 exquisite French Hats, made in Paris and imported direct, $35 values at $12.50

Basement Bargains.

Useful Xmas Presents.

8-yard patterns 36-inch wide Percales, in light and dark patterns, for 72c
10-yard patterns of handsome Fleeced-Lined Flannelettes for wrappers and dresses, in pretty Persian and fancy stripe effects, for 67c

Sateens.

10-yard pattern of Gilbert's Best Sateen, worth 25c yard; per pattern, Friday $1.00

Best American Indigo.

10-yard pattern best American Indigo Prints, for 50c

Do You Make Your Own Quilts?

8 1-3c Pure White Cotton Batting, per roll 3½c
Pure Turkey Red Oil Calico 3½c

Ginghams.

Best quality Apron Check Amoskeag Ginghams 5c

Canton Flannels.

1,200 remnants of Canton Flannels for Friday at HALF PRICE, all grades.

Tickings.

20c Book-Fold Sateen Finish Fancy Bed Ticking, for Friday 9c

Flannels.

8 1-3c White Shaker Domet Flannel 3½c
25c Medicated Red Twilled Flannel 14c
40c Extra Heavy Gray All-Wool Flannel 22c

Eiderdowns.

Yard wide All-Wool Eiderdown for smoking jackets, cloaks, sacques, wrappers, etc., for Xmas gifts; worth 75c; for Friday and Saturday 39c
Yard wide Silk Embroidered Hemstitched White Skirting Flannels; the $1.00 kind, for 49c

Blankets.

2 cases of 10-4 White Blankets; the $1.00 kind, per pair, for 50c
200 pair of Heavy Gray Blankets, fancy borders; the $1.25 kind 69c

Ladies' Fine Shoes.

We have just received an elegant line of fine Fox Calf Skating Boots—correct toes and made in either lace or button. The style is irreproachable and the price is only $3.00
We have an exquisite dressy line of Ladies' and Misses' Shoes at $2.00
Equal in appearance to the most expensive shoes.

Children's Shoes.

Sizes 6 to 8 at 75c
Good, solid, serviceable shoes.
Sizes 8½ to 11 at $1.00
Sizes 11 to 2 at $1.25
These shoes cannot be excelled.

Upholstery Department.

100 pair of Lace Curtains, scalloped embroidery; the kind you pay 39c pair for, Friday 32c
$1.25 handsome Lace Curtains, beautiful floral designs, 3 yards long, for Friday and Saturday 69c
200 dozen Window Shades, on patent spring rollers, complete, ready to hang, at 10c
36-inch Lace Curtain Scrim 2½c
White and Grey Fur Rugs, the best qualities; the $3.50 kind, for $1.85
Jap Rugs at 29c
and up to $13.00.
Jap Bamboo Portieres 93c
Beautiful Rope Portieres, at $2.75

Hosiery.

Ladies' All-Wool Fast-Black Hose, double heel and toe; sold everywhere at 25c; for Friday and Saturday 17c
Or 3 pair for 50c.

Special Bargain.

Children's All-Wool Fast Black Ribbed Hose, all sizes; they are worth 25c; for Friday and Saturday only 12½c

Drug Sundries.

Stop at our Center Aisle and have your Kerchief Perfumed Free of Charge.
To introduce a new perfume put up under our own label, a triple extract, 2-oz. bottle, quality the kind sold for 75c, we will, as an introduction, sell 1,000 bottles at 25c
25c superior quality Bay Rum, Friday 6c
Lubin, Pinaud, Oakley, Colgate, Roger, Gallet fine soaps one cake in a box, worth 75c, for 39c

Comforts.

75c Fancy Robe Comforts 49c
$2.00 Silkeline Bed Comforts, in delicate tints, for Friday and Saturday $1.50

Ready-Made Sheets.

75c Pepperel Bleached Sheets, hemmed ready for use, 2¾ yards long, for 49c

Table Linens.

2 yards wide Pure Table Linen, worth 35c, for Friday and Saturday 49c
25c Pure Table Linen, in plain white and colored borders 15c

The Busy
Dress Goods and Silk.

And the greatest bargains for useful Xmas gifts.

8-yard pattern all-wool Camel's-hair Plaid, worth $3.50, for $1.76
8-yard pattern all-wool Scotch Mixture, worth $3 ..... $1.52
8-yard pattern Gray Melton Cloth, worth $3.50 ..... $2.00
8-yard pattern all-wool Black Serges, worth $3.20, for $1.84
7-yard pattern all-wool 46-inch Black Henriettas, worth $4.20, for Friday $2.45
8-yard pattern 38-inch fine all-wool Storm Serge, worth $5 ..... $3.00
8-yard pattern 38-inch all-wool Boucle, worth $6.50, for $3.98
7-yard pattern Imported Boucle, 54 inches wide, worth $12, for $6.25
22-inch Black Pure Silk Satin Duchess, 14-yard pattern, worth $14, for $7.50
22-inch Black Pure Silk Satin Duchess, 14-yard pattern, worth $17, for $9.00
22-inch Black All-silk Brocaded Damasse, 14-yard pattern, worth $18, for $10.00
22-inch Black Gros-Grain Dress Silk, 14-yard patterns, worth $15, for $10.00
22-inch Finest Black Armure, 14 yards to pattern, worth $17.50, for $10.50
36-inch Black Gros-Grain Silk, Cashmere Sublime, 14-yard pattern, worth $28, for $16.00

Corsets.

A lot of splendid long waist corsets, well filled with Bone, in black, drab and white; regular price $1.00; Friday for 50c

Special Bargain in Underskirts.

A lot of fine Melton Cloth and French Sateen lined skirts; worth from 75c to $1.00; for Friday 50c
Another lot of extra quality Cloth and Sateen skirts, made with the Spanish flounce and umbrella style; worth $1.50 to $2.00; Your choice for 95c

Fascinators.

A lot of hand-made Ice Wool and Zephyr Fascinators, in black, white and all colors; worth from 50c to 75c; Your choice for 25c

Handkerchief Sale.

The most popular of holiday gifts, handkerchiefs for men, women and children —the most complete assortment in the city — thousands upon thousands of dozen at quick selling prices.

As an introduction we will offer 800 dozen Men's Pure Silk Hemstitch Handkerchiefs, in plain white and fancy colored borders, never sold below 35c; Friday 21c
19c Ladies' Fancy Scalloped Embroidered Handkerchiefs for 12c
25c Ladies' Fancy Scalloped Embroidered Handkerchiefs for 15c
35c Ladies' Fancy Scalloped Embroidered Handkerchiefs for 19c
39c Ladies' very sheer Embroidered Handkerchiefs, small, dainty patterns, for 21c
45c Ladies' Pure Linen Hand-embroidered Hemstitch Handkerchiefs 25c
100 dozen Ladies' very sheer quality pure Linen Hand-embroidered Handkerchiefs, sold everywhere at 50c, for 35c
200 boxes Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitch Hand-embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, ¼-inch hem, ½ dozen in a box, sold elsewhere at $2, for $1.50
200 dozen Ladies' Fancy Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 8c, for 3c
200 dozen Men's Fancy Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs, worth 10c, for 4c

Useful Xmas Gifts.

Umbrellas.

Ladies' Umbrellas, with pearl, silver, filigreed handles, tight rolled on steel rod, the $10 kind, for $6.00
500 beautiful Serge Silk Umbrellas, with handsome Dresden handles and natural crook, sold everywhere $2.25, for $1.39

Men's Furnishings.

To-morrow we place on sale the balance 300 dozen Men's Handsome Scarfs, very latest designs from one of New York's leading neckwear houses, and sold by up-to-date haberdashers at 75c and $1.00; for Friday and Saturday 29c
Men's and Boys' Scotch Gloves, sold everywhere at 50c; our price .. Better ones at 39c and 49c. 25c
Men's Fine Colored Shirts, in the latest patterns, sold elsewhere at $1.50, for 89c

Lining Department.

Best American Hair Cloth, the 10c kind, for 4c
Best Kid Cambric 3c
Fiber Lining, as good as the 25c kind 15c
20c Gilbert's Fine Silesia, Friday 9c

Towelings.

50 pieces Pure Linen Twilled Toweling, very handsome borders, sold everywhere at 10c, for ..... 6¢
3 1-3c Linen Twilled Fancy Border Toweling ..... 4¢

Linen Sheeting.

90-inch Plain and Twilled Linen Sheeting, the $1 kind, for 69c
3 yards long extra heavy fancy colored bordered, double knitted fringe Table Cloth and dozen Napkins to match, for Friday and Saturday $2.69

Bed Spreads.

75c Bed Spreads, Marseilles pattern 39c
$2.98 12-4 Marseilles Bed Spreads, very handsome patterns and a useful Xmas gift, for Friday and Saturday $1.69

White Goods for Aprons.

40-inch wide, with handsome satin stripe and fancy borders, the 15c kind, for 9c

Our Reserve Stock
Toys, Games, Blocks, Balls, Books, Guns,

HORNS have been placed on our Bargain Counters in our basement at prices to make them sell at sight.

$2.00 Nickel-plated Air Rifle for 79c

VON DER AHE HAS CHOSEN HIS MAN.

Harry Diddlebock Will Probably Manage the Browns.

A TALK WITH THE BOSS.

Diddlebock Comes From Philadelphia and Is a Well Known Base Ball Journalist.

Chris Von Der Ahe has about decided on a manager for his base ball team next season, and his name is Harry Diddlebock, sporting editor of the Philadelphia Enquirer. Mr. Diddlebock is an old-time base ball authority, and has been an intimate friend of the St. Louis magnate for many years. The news that he would probably be engaged to manage the Browns next season, came to St. Louis from Philadelphia, and when questioned about it last night, Mr. Von Der Ahe admitted that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Diddlebock and was favorably impressed with the Philadelphian.

"Diddlebock is one of the best posted baseball men in the country," said Mr. Von der Ahe, "and I am about satisfied that he would have more success with the Browns than any of the other men who are under consideration for the position of manager. Diddlebock is willing to come here and if I decide to engage him, we will arrange terms in a hurry. Diddlebock has had considerable experience in the business, having officiated in an important capacity with several successful minor leagues in the East. Several years ago, he also took a Philadelphia team West and had great success with it both in a financial and playing way. I intend to look over the field thoroughly before engaging a manager, but I have no hesitancy in saying that just at present Diddlebock is most in favor with me."

Base Ball Notes.

Baltimore is said to have cleared $79,000 last season.

All of Chicago's surplus pitchers will be farmed out to Minneapolis.

Kansas City will endeavor to secure Nyce or Harrington of Boston to play in the Cowboys' infield.

The Minneapolis management expects to have either Stewart or Luby of the Chicago Club at second base next season.

Ab Dalrymple, the old Chicago outfielder, is said to have inherited $100,000 by the death of his father.

Jim Flannigan of Pittsburg has signed to play in the outfield for St. Joe next season. Flannigan is in St. Louis at present.

Henry Coolidge Semple, the post pitcher of Sewanee University, has signed with the Louisville National League team for the season of 1896.

Charlie Connors, a promising North St. Louis amateur, will be given a chance on Capt. Charlie Comiskey's St. Paul Western League team next season. Connors played with the Grand Avenues.

Frank Shiebeck, Washington's ex-shortstop, is at the head of a strong Detroit city league, to be composed of eight clubs.

"Deacon" Ellis of the Grand Rapids team is certain he will get a Western League franchise at the next meeting. He says Omaha will be left to the Western Association, giving Grand Rapids, the only other applicant, the franchise.

BICYCLE RECORDS.

Bald Holds the Mile Mark in Public Competition.

The world's mile bicycle record in public competition is 1:55½, made by E. C. Bald from a standing start at Denver, October, 1895. "Doc" Brown's quarter in :28 2-5, made at Decatur, Ill., still stands. The paced flying start, class B, mile mark, is 1:42 2-5, made by Arthur Gardner at Louisville, October 4, 1895. Otto Zeigler holds the paced standing start, class B, mile mark 1:50 2-5, made at Louisville, Nov. 6, 1895. Last year Johnson held all records from the quarter to five miles, inclusive, but he has been forced to relinquish seven out of ten of them. In the mile, he got under his old record, but Gardner went further. Johnson still holds the quarter, third, half and the two-mile figures. Ziegler, Coulter and Miller robbed him of the others. Pete Berlo's two miles, flying start, paced, at Louisville last month in 3:42 3-5 was one of the best performances of the year.

PILLSBURY BANQUETED.

America's Chess Champion Royally Entertained in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 12.—At the Chess Club banquet held last Sunday in honor of Harry Nelson Pillsbury, the young Brooklyn chess player, who took first prize in the international chess tournament recently, held at Hastings, England, and of Steinitz, who won fifth prize in the same tournament, President Sabourow, of the Russian Chess Club, in welcoming the guests, said that Russia had the warmest friendship for America.

Mr. Pillsbury, in responding, thanked the club for the honor it conferred upon him and his fellow-players in inviting them to participate in a tourney in which the best chess players in the world are to compete.

CYCLE EXHIBITIONS.

The Cycle Board of Trade Will Have Control of Them.

The recent resolution of the Cycle Board of Trade to sanction local cycle exhibitions in different cities only when they were endorsed by local Boards of Trade or a majority of the local dealers and agents in the different cities has given very general satisfaction to a vast majority of manufacturers and dealers throughout the country. There have been attempts in some quarters to promote these local exhibitions by men who have not a dollar invested in the cycle trade, but who merely endeavor to promote these shows as a means of putting money into their own pocket.

DERBY DAY.

The $20,000 National Derby Will Be Run at the Fair Grounds June 20.

The great 20,000 National Derby, the richest 3-year-old stake to be decided in the West next season, is carded for June 20 at the Fair Grounds. Quite a number of the Fair Association directors wanted the great event run on July 4, but President Mamitt was of the opinion that "the day we celebrate" would be big enough without offering such an additional attraction. Mr. Mamitt also argued that a great many society people would be away on their summer vacations by July 4, and accordingly his idea that the derby should be run in June, so as to catch them all, was adopted. As usual the club members' handicap will be run the first Saturday in June and it is the intention of the directors to have the derby decided about two weeks later. This would make the date June 20, which has been semi-officially decided on. The Fair Association and the Cincinnati tracks will no doubt come to an understanding regarding the dates on which to run their respective stakes. The idea is to prevent clashing. On a Saturday when a 3-year-old stake is to be run at the Fair Grounds, Oakley or Latonia will card a 3-year-old or all aged event. St. Louis will do the same when a 3-year-old stake is to be run at Cincinnati.

Track Results.

AT SPORTSMAN'S PARK.—Butcher Boy, Mamie S., Kenwood, Delia and Ballardine.

AT SAN FRANCISCO.—Emma D., Miss Brummel, Red Glenn, Magnet, Potentate and Thornhill.

AT NEW ORLEANS—Sauterne, Somnambulist, Souffle, Grinder and Mate.

AT ST. ASAPH.—Red Star, Blue Bonnet, Torrendale, Harry M., Johnny and Ponce de Leon.

Track Talk.

Five straight favorites were again beaten at Sportsman's Park Wednesday.

Kenwood, who finished last Monday, took a notion to run Wednesday and won by a city block.

Tod Sloan rode the first two winners at 'Frisco and his brother Cassius put the last one over the plate.

Magnet, owned by Dan Honig of St. Louis, defeated a great field of stake horses at 'Frisco Wednesday, including Bright Phoebus, winner of the $30,000 Realisation stakes last summer.

Freeport, Joliet and Peoria, Ill., Mason City, Independence and Davenport, Io., and Rochester, Minn., will have a trotting and pacing circuit in 1897. The matter will be arranged at Dubuque to-day.

The veteran James Dustin, who brought Directum East this spring, has left the little horse in Lexington, Ky., and returned to California, where he will act as head driver at Palo Alto next season.

A filly by Belvidere, dam Bonnie Bess, by S. C. Lyne, recently worked a quarter on the Lexington track, with weight up, in twenty-three seconds. This is about as fast as any yearling trials so far reported.

Jockey Jerry Chorn and his employer, Bookmaker-owner Barney Schreiber, had trouble in San Francisco recently. Chorn's horse Hidalgo was entered in a race against Schreiber's Service, on which Chorn put up a bad ride and finished fourth.

Frank Erne's Benefit.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 12.—An arrangement has been made for Young Griffo to spar at Music Hall, Dec. 29, with Frank Erne, the Buffalo featherweight who made a draw with George Dixon, at a testimonial benefit to be given Erne that night by his Buffalo admirers. Erne is anxious to meet Dixon to a finish after his engagement with Griffo.

Sporting Notes.

A six-round go between Lavigne and McAuliffe may be arranged.

The widow and children of the late Jack Dempsey are to be benefited in Frisco.

A Pittsburg judge has decided that a member of an athletic club is liable for debts of the organization.

W. L. Armour has been elected captain of the Kansas University football team for the season of 1896.

The new Manhattan Athletic Club of New York has bought the old M. A. C. club house and grounds for $500,000.

"Kid" McCoy has accepted Tommy Ryan's challenge to fight at 154 pounds. McCoy can furnish backing to the extent of $1,000.

Billy Meyers, the "Streator Cyclone," who fought two battles with Jack McAuliffe, was beaten in seven rounds by Tommy Stuart near Jeffersonville, Ind., Tuesday night.

James S. Mitchell, the champion hammer and weight thrower, has been dismissed from the New York Athletic Club for criticising the officials of the organization.

In the pool tourney at Syracuse Jerome Keough broke the world's record for a continuous run. From the sixth to the tenth games he made 11, 15, 15, 15, 15, being a total of 67. The run was made without a miss, safety or scratch.

Attorney Charles T. Noland, Gov. Johnson's associate in the defense of Duestrow, beat Frank Maggioli in a game of billiards at the Grand. When Noland scored his 50 points, Maggioli was close up with 37.

For the Holidays.

Very low rates via the Burlington Route to points within 200 miles. Tickets on sale Dec. 24th, 25th and 31st, and Jan. 1st. Ticket Office, S. W. corner Broadway and Olive st.

Snow in Michigan.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—Snow has been falling in this section during the past fifteen hours and the ground is now covered to a depth of six to twelve inches. The storm is still in progress with the wind blowing a violent gale from the Northwest. Railroad trains have been behind time and local street-car traffic has been seriously interfered with. Reports from nearly every section of the State are of similar import.

Emperor Charles II,

accompanied by half the nobility of Austria, went to the Carlsbad Springs for the recovery of his health. Six thousand, six hundred horses, so the town records say, were necessary to convey the company to the place. The Carlsbad Sprudel Salt can be obtained at every drug store in the United States now at trifling cost. It is the best remedy for catarrh of the stomach, constipation, liver and kidney troubles, gout, rheumatism, etc. Best results are obtained when outdoor exercise can be had. Be sure to obtain the genuine imported article, which has the signature of "EISNER & MENDELSON CO., Sole Agents, New York," on every package.

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Aloe's Solid Gold Spectacles, $5.

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Opera Glass Holders.....$1.50 up
Spectacle Chatelaines.....$1.00 up

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730 Ladies' Beaver Jackets, ripple back, all shades.....$3.95
$15 Ladies' All-Wool Kersey Jackets, etc., full silk lined.....$8.95
SPECIAL—An extra quality of Plush Capes, silk lined throughout, tinfoil edged.....$8.88

FUR CAPES.
30-inch length French coney Capes, all silk lined, large sweep.....$4.45
30-inch length Electric Seal Capes, plain or Marten edged and trimmed, all silk lined, worth $22.50.....$9.95

CHILDREN'S CLOAKS.
One Lot Children's Long Cloaks, sizes 4 to 14 years, worth up to $6.00.....$2.45
All-Wool Beaver Long Cloaks, all sizes, worth up to $8.00.....$3.95
Free—A beautiful feather Boa or handsome Muff given with every $5 purchase and above.

MILLINERY.
100 trimmed velvet Hats, worth $3, at....$1.45
Entire line of $5 and $6 Trimmed Hats at $2.90
Entire line of $2 Ladies' and Children's trimmed hats at.....75c
25 doz Satin Toy Sailor, worth 50c, at....25c
50 doz. Tam O'Shanters, made of finest worsteds and Cassimeres, worth 75c, at....33c
One lot assorted colors Silk Tissue and Sewing Silk Veilings, worth 25c, at per yard....5c

MEN'S and BOYS' HATS and GLOVES.
Men's Stiff and Fedora Hats, black and brown Yeomans, Knox and Dunlap blocks; competitors' price $1.50; our price.....95c
Men's Stiff and Fedora Hats, Youmans, Knox and Dunlap blocks; competitors' price $2.50 and $3; our price.....$1.50 and $2
40c and 75c Yacht and Cloth Fulldown Caps.....25c and 45c
75c and $1.25 Buck and Calf Skin Gloves.....50c and $1
$1.50 and $2 Fur Mitts and Gloves..$1 and $1.50

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.
Ladies' Scalloped Handkerchiefs, large silk initial, worth 15c.....3c
Embroidered Jap. Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 20c.....4c
Full line of imported Linen and Silk-embroidered Handkerchiefs.....From 15c to $1.50
Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Union Suits, worth 75c, At.....39c
Ladies' All-wool Scarlet Underwear, worth $1, At.....48c

FANCY GOODS.
Fancy Toilet Cases, in plush, including comb, brush and mirror, worth 75c.....At 35c
Better grades of Toilet Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Work Boxes, Photo Cases, Jewel Boxes, ranging from.....50c to $10
Endless variety of Fans from.....25c to $2
Ladies' Silk Garters in fancy boxes, 10c to $1.50
Chair Scarfs and Head Rests from..15c to $1.50
Jap. Silk Table Covers, Mantel Drapery, Pillows, etc., in endless variety.
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Christmas Presents.
Men's Linen Initial Handkerchiefs..8 1-3c to 25c
Men's Jap. Silk Handkerchiefs.....25c to $1
Men's White Silk Mufflers.....50c to $2
Men's Velvet and Satin Embroidered Suspenders.....25c to $3.50
Very latest Neckwear.....25c, 45c to $2
A handsome fancy box with every Necktie or Suspender bought of us at 50c and over.
Men's All-wool Jersey Coats.....$2.45 to $5
Men's All-wool Sweaters.....75c to $3
Endless variety of Silk Vests.....$2.50 to $5
Corduroy Vests.....$1.98 to $6
Smoking Jackets.....$3 and up
Men's Macintoshes, every one guaranteed.....$3.50 to $15
Full assortment of Boys' Fine Waists and Fancy Blouses.

BOYS' SUITS and OVERCOATS.
Boys' Chinchilla Reefers, nicely made and warm lined, others sell at $2.50.....$1.95
Boys' Suits and Overcoats, 4 to 15 years, others sell at $2 to $6.....95c to $3.65
Boys' Kilt Suits, odds and ends, positively worth $4 and $5.....$1.95
Single and Double-Breasted Suits and Overcoats, up to 19 years; others sell at $6, $7.50 and $12.....$3.50, $5, $7.50
Youths' Suits and Overcoats, single and double-breasted, others sell at $15 and $20.....$10 and $12.50
Boys' Pants, others sell at 25c to $1.75..15c to $1
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Misses' A No. 1 Rubbers, 12 to 2.....12c
Ladies' A No. 1 Rubbers.....19c
Men's A No. 1 Rubbers.....33c
Men's Buckle Overshoes.....88c
Men's Calf Cork Sole Congress, all sizes; others sell at $3.50. Our price.....$2.50
Men's Satin Calf, Lace and Congress, all styles and sizes, others sell at $2. Our price....$1.50
Ladies' warm-lined Lace and Button Shoes, others sell at $1.50 and $2. Our price.....$1, $1.50
Ladies' hand-turned Button Shoes, broken sizes, others sell at $3.50 to $4. Our price.....$2
Misses' Dongola, Button or Lace, Solid School Shoes, others sell at $1.75. Our price.....$1.25
Child's Dongola, Button, Patent Tips, sizes 8½ to 11; others sell at $1.00. Our price.....75c
Boys' all Solid Calf Lace Shoes, for school wear, others sell at $1.45 and $2. Our price.....$1.25, $1.50
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AIR LINE.
LOUISVILLE, EVANSVILLE AND ST. LOUIS CONSOLIDATED RAILROAD.

Trains	Depart.	Arrive.
Louisville Mail and Express, d'ly	8:25 am	7:04 am
Louisville Mail and Express, d'ly	.....	5:52 pm

BURLINGTON ROUTE.
ST. L., K. & N. W. R. R.—UNION STATION.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Minneapolis, St. Paul, daily	11:30 am	3:45 pm
Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Montana, North Pacific Coast, Black Hills and California Express, daily	8:45 pm	7:10 am
Hannibal, Quincy, Keokuk and Burlington Night Exp., daily	7:40 pm	6:50 am
Kansas City, Atchison, St. Joseph, Denver	7:41 am	8:10 pm
Fast Mail—Hannibal, Quincy and Burlington	2:30 am	.....
Local pass'ger from Quincy, daily	.....	11:15 am
St. Paul and Minneapolis, daily except Sunday	7:40 pm	6:59 am

C., B. & Q. R. R.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Rock Island, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Peoria, La Crosse and Dubuque Express, daily	8:35 am	5:04 pm
Rock Island, Bushnell, Galesburg, Peoria Express, daily	7:45 pm	7:16 am

B. & O. S.-W. RY.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Cincinnati Local Exp., ex. Sun.	7:16 am	6:45 pm
Royal Blue Flyer, Cincinnati, Louisville, Washington, Baltimore and New York, daily	8:20 am	6:00 pm
Cincinnati, Louisville and Pittsburg Express, daily	8:30 pm	7:12 am
Cincinnati, Louisville, Washington and New York Fast Line, daily	3:00 am	7:12 am
Washington (Ind.) Accommodation, except Sunday	5:50 pm	11:44 am
Salem (Ill.) Accommodation, except Sunday	12:01 pm	8:33 am
Fast Express and Mail, daily	.....	12:30 pm

CHICAGO & ALTON.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago Limited, daily	8:45 am	7:15 pm
Chicago Express, daily	12:00 m	6:55 pm
Chicago Midnight Special, daily	11:31 pm	8:04 am
Chicago Day Local Exp., daily	7:24 am	7:03 pm
Springf. & Jack. Acc., ex. Sun.	5:05 pm	10:44 am
Kansas City Vestib. Lim., daily	5:40 pm	7:06 am
Kansas City Day Express, daily	8:16 am	7:36 pm

BIG FOUR ROUTE.
CLEVELAND, CINCINNATI, CHICAGO & ST. LOUIS RAILWAY.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Day Express, daily	8:00 am	5:44 pm
Knickerbocker Special, daily	12:00 m	6:56 pm
Mattoon Accom., daily ex. Sun.	4:20 pm	9:32 am
Boston, New York, Cincinnati and Washington Exp., daily	7:55 pm	7:20 am

BLUFF LINE.
ST. L., C. & ST. P. R. R.—UNION STATION.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Alton, Jerseyville and Springfield, except Sunday	8:30 am	11:22 am
Alton, Jerseyville and Springfield, Sunday only	5:30 pm	11:22 am
Alton, Jerseyville, Gratiot and Springfield, except Sunday	5:05 pm	7:13 pm

COTTON BELT.
ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Cotton Belt Express, daily	7:00 am	6:50 pm

M., K. & T.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Beaumville, Sedalia, Clinton, Fort Scott, Parsons and Indian Territory Express	8:30 am	6:00 pm
Fort Worth, Dallas, Taylor, Waco and Austin Express	8:30 pm	7:25 am
Fort Worth, Dallas, San Antonio and Galveston Express	9:30 am	6:00 pm
St. Charles, Sedalia, Fort Scott and Denison Express	8:30 pm	7:25 am

CAIRO SHORT LINE.
ST. L., A. & T. R. R.

	Depart.	Arrive.
New Orleans Fast Mail—Cairo, Memphis, Vicksburg Express, daily	7:05 am	7:25 pm
New Orleans Limited—Paducah, Cairo, Memphis and Vicksburg Express, Florida Short Line, daily	7:30 pm	7:44 am
Cape Girardeau Express, daily	7:56 am	.....
Cape Girardeau Ex., d'ly ex. Sun.	.....	11:40 am
Cairo, Marion, Carbondale and Murphysboro Express, daily except Sunday	4:25 pm	11:40 am
Chester and Perryville Express, daily except Sunday	7:56 am	11:40 pm
Sparta Express, daily except Sun.	4:25 pm	7:24 pm
	7:56 am	11:40 am

C. P., & ST. L.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Peoria and Springfield Mail, daily except Sunday	8:05 am	6:35 pm
Peoria Special, daily	3:15 pm	2:35 am

IRON MOUNTAIN ROUTE.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Texas Fast Mail to Little Rock, Texarkana, Dallas, Waco, Fort Worth, El Paso, Los Angeles and San Francisco, daily	8:05 am	10:05 pm
Columbus Accommodation, daily	7:50 am	6:45 pm
Texas Special—Dallas, Fort Worth, Galveston, San Antonio, Laredo, New Orleans and City of Mexico, daily	9:40 am	4:10 pm
Memphis and Hot Springs Exp.	8:15 pm	7:25 am
	8:30 pm	7:00 am

LEAVING FOURTH AND CHOUTEAU AVENUE DEPOT.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Arcadia Accommodation	4:30 pm	9:40 am
DeSoto Accommodation	5:30 pm	2:20 am

ST. L. & SAN FRANCISCO.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Kan. & Oklahoma Mail, daily	8:05 am	6:30 pm
Arkansas and Texas Exp., daily	8:05 am	6:30 pm
California and Colorado Ex., d'ly	8:00 pm	6:50 am
Texas Limited Vestibuled, daily	9:00 pm	7:00 am

L. & N. R. R.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Fast Mail to Evansville, Nashville, Chattanooga, Atlanta, Birmingham, Mobile, New Orleans and Jacksonville, Fla., daily	7:52 am	7:20 am
Belleville Accommodation, daily	11:05 am	1:32 pm
Mount Vernon Accom., daily	5:00 pm	9:20 am
Southern Express to Nashville, Birmingham, Mobile, New Orleans, Thomasville and Jacksonville, Fla., daily	7:35 pm	7:20 am

ST. LOUIS & HANNIBAL.
(Via Wabash Railroad.)

	Depart.	Arrive.
Mail and Express, daily	8:30 am	11:00 am
Mail and Express, daily	4:30 pm	6:30 pm

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.
CHICAGO LINE.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago Day Ex., daily ex. Sun.	8:40 am	6:40 pm
Chicago Diamond Special, daily	9:10 pm	7:24 am

MISSOURI PACIFIC RY.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Local Passenger	7:55 am	6:00 pm
Kan. City, Omaha, Lincoln and Southern Kansas Exp., daily	9:00 am	6:25 pm
Washington Accommodation	5:25 pm	8:00 am
Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha, Southern Kansas and Colorado Fast Line, daily	8:20 pm	10:15 pm

ST. L., K. C. & COLORADO.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Union Express, daily	4:00 pm	8:25 am

VANDALIA LINE.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Trains Nos. 20 and 21, daily	8:10 am	7:00 pm
Day Express, daily	3:46 am	.....
Indianapolis Accm., daily ex. Sun.	.....	9:15 am
New York Limited, daily	1:00 pm	3:00 pm
New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Ex. d'ly	10:30 pm	7:00 am
Effingham Accommodation, daily	5:30 pm	11:40 am
Chicago Day Ex., daily ex. Sun.	8:40 am	7:00 pm
Chicago Diamond Special, daily	9:10 pm	7:24 am
Cincinnati Day Express, daily	8:10 pm	7:00 am
Cincinnati Night Express, daily	8:00 pm	7:00 am

WABASH LINE.

(Lines East of the Mississippi.)	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago Local Express, daily	7:30 am	5:05 pm
Chicago Fast Express, daily	9:00 am	7:15 pm
Toledo, Detroit and New York Fast Express, daily	7:26 am	5:04 pm
Decatur Accom. except Sunday	4:35 pm	10:44 am
Toledo, Detroit, New York and Boston Vestibuled Limited	7:00 pm	7:24 am
Fast Express, daily	9:00 pm	7:24 am
Chicago Vestibuled Limited, d'ly	9:00 pm	7:24 am

(Lines West of the Mississippi.)

	Depart.	Arrive.
Kansas City Mail and Express, except Sunday	8:30 am	6:30 pm
Kansas City and Ottumwa, except Sunday	9:00 am	6:00 pm
Kansas City Mail and Express, Sunday only	9:00 am	6:30 pm
Montgomery Accom., ex. Sunday	4:30 pm	11:00 am
Omaha, Des Moines and Fast Express, daily	6:25 pm	7:30 am
Kansas City Fast Night Express, daily	8:35 pm	7:00 am
Kansas City and Denver Limited	12:01 pm	7:30 am
Fast Mail	.....	2:30 am

M. & O. R. R.

	Depart.	Arrive.
New Orleans and Mobile Fast Express, daily	7:55 am	10:15 am
Mobile and Florida Exp., daily	7:35 pm	7:20 pm
Cairo, Cape Girardeau and Jackson Express, daily	7:35 am	10:15 am
Murphysboro, Marion, Carbondale and Percy Accommodation, daily except Sunday	4:45 pm	12:20 pm

CLOVER LEAF.
TOLEDO, ST. LOUIS & KANSAS CITY RY.

	Depart.	Arrive.
Mail and Express, daily ex. Sun.	7:44 am	5:56 pm
Toledo Express, daily	7:05 pm	7:40 am
Indianapolis Night Express	7:01 pm	7:40 am
Indianapolis Day Express	7:44 am	5:56 pm

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue and authority of a general and special execution, issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at the City of St. Louis, returnable to the December term, 1895, of said Court, and to me directed, wherein Henry Whitney is plaintiff and Albert T. Cook, Al Homes Bldg Co., a corporation, Rose A. Bambrick, Thos. J. Howe, Julius C. Garrella, Lincoln Trust Co., a corporation, and Alexander Young, are defendants, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate, situated in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, and charged with the mechanic's lien, on which this action is founded, and described in said execution as follows, to-wit:

A lot in block 4470 of said city, having a front of 45 feet on the southern line of Formerly avenue by a depth southwardly to an alley, bounded on the east by property now or formerly of the Hope Building and Real Estate Co., and west by property now or formerly of John R. Weber, and being the western 19 feet of lot 2 and the eastern 26 feet of lot 3 of Cottage place, in said block, together with the improvements thereon, and I will, on FRIDAY, THE 3D DAY OF JANUARY, 1896, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the east front door of the Court-house in the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the above described property, to satisfy said execution and costs.

HENRY TROLL,
Sheriff, City of St. Louis, Mo.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9, 1895. 4972

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue and authority of an execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, returnable to the December Term, 1895, of said court, and to me directed, in favor of Flana Davis, plaintiff, and against Lafayette D. Alexander, defendant, I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest, claim, estate and property of the defendant above named, of, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the city of St. Louis and State of Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 39 and east half of lot 38 in city block 3711 of said city, fronting together 38 feet, more or less, on St. Louis avenue, by a depth of 130 feet; and I will, on SATURDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1895,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the east front door of the Court-house in the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title, interest, claim, estate and property of the above named defendant, of, in and to the above described property, to satisfy said execution and costs.

HENRY TROLL,
Sheriff of the City of St. Louis.
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 21, 1895. 4920

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue and authority of an execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, returnable to the December term, 1895, of said court, and to me directed, in favor of Christian F. Schneider, plaintiff, and against Sophia Schaefer (alias Seifried), defendant, I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest, claim, estate and property of the defendant above named, of, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot 11 and the southern 20 feet and 7 inches of lot 12 of city block No. 1281 of the City of St. Louis, Mo., as set forth and described in Commissioners' deed in partition of record in book 1242, page 480 of the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the City of St. Louis, Mo., and I will, on TUESDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1895,

between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the east front door of the Court-house, in the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title, interest, claim, property and estate of the above named defendant, of, in and to the above described property, to satisfy said execution and costs.

HENRY TROLL,
Sheriff of the City of St. Louis.
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 30, 1895. 4948

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue and authority of an execution, issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, returnable to the February term, 1896, of said court, and to me directed, in favor of the National Cash Register Co., plaintiff, and against Gottfried Metzner, defendant; I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest, claim, estate and property of the defendant above named, of, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit:

The ground or parcel of land on which is situated and located house number 2918 South Thirteenth street, St. Louis, Missouri, being the southern one-third of lots 25 and 24 of city block No. 1284, said lots Nos. 24 and 23 together having a front of 66 feet 8½ inches on the east line of Thirteenth street, by a depth eastwardly of 150 feet, known as numbers 2916, 2920 and 2922 South Thirteenth street, St. Louis, Missouri, and being the same property acquired by Gottfried Metzner as an undivided one-half interest in and to the homestead of Catherine Metzner, his mother, now deceased, being the southern part of said lot No. 25, and which a front of 16 feet 8 inches on the east line of said Thirteenth street by a depth of 147 feet 4 inches (more or less) bounded east by an alley, south by property now or formerly of Paul Keller, west by Thirteenth street, and north by remainder of said lot 25, and I will on TUESDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF DECE

FIRE NEAR THE AMMUNITION.

Cruiser Cincinnati Narrowly Escaped Being Blown to Atoms.

300 LIVES WERE IN PERIL.

The Officers' and Sailors' Presence of Mind and Disregard of Danger Averted a Naval Horror.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Herald, from Key West, Fla., says:

Particulars have just been received on shore of what nearly caused the destruction of the United States Cruiser Cincinnati and the loss of 300 lives. A gale of wind, that blew all yesterday (Tuesday) afternoon, and through the night, interrupting communications with vessels in the harbor, delayed the news.

It was reported to the officer of the deck of the Cincinnati about 2:30 Tuesday afternoon that some smoke had made its appearance in the dynamo room and all about the neighborhood of the forward magazines. The fire bell was rung at once and the pumps were started.

The smoke in the compartments, adjoining and above the magazines, was so thick that the first officer to arrive on the scene gave orders to flood the ammunition at once. The hatches were opened, and streams of water from the deck hose were added to those from the flooding system. The circumstances were too critical to admit of hesitation and water was poured in till the ammunition compartments were completely filled. The smoke had by this time considerably abated, and it was evident that the water had risen above the fire.

Captain Johnson, who, with the executive officer, Lieutenant-Commander Everett, had taken personal charge, directed all ammunition, not yet under water, to be passed on deck. This was done with almost incredible rapidity. Men work fast on a magazine that they suspect being on fire. The forward 6-inch magazine was then emptied and it was found that several of the boxes containing the fixed ammunition were charred nearly through. A little delay in flooding the magazines would have caused a catastrophe.

The fire was right abreast of the auxiliary boilers, in a coal bunker partially filled with soft coal. The heat from the boilers had caused the coal to smoulder and this in turn had charred the shell boxes through the separating bulkheads. It is thought no damage was done, unless it be found that the ammunition was injured by water. The officers say the men worked with the same presence of mind and disregard of danger as though the magazines were empty.

The Cincinnati is here to prevent filibustering and to enforce the neutrality laws. Her crew are engaged in re-tubing her boilers, replacing the steel tubes, which have not proven satisfactory, with wrought iron tubes. One boiler has been completed and the other five will be finished about the middle of February.

THE GERMANIC DAMAGED.

The Umbria Will Take Her Mail and Some of Her Passengers.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 12.—The Cunard Line steamship Umbria, which leaves Liverpool Dec. 14 for New York, and which will touch here on the following day, is to take the mail of the White Star Line steamship Germanic, which vessel was damaged yesterday in collision with the Scotch coasting steamer Cambrae to the extent of having to put back to Liverpool. The Umbria will also take fifty of the Germanic's passengers, who were to have boarded her here. The steerage and second cabin passengers of the Germanic will sail for New York on board the Teutonic of the White Star Line, which is booked to leave Liverpool Dec. 18.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—The officials of the White Star Line say it is impossible to fully ascertain the damage done to the Germanic by her collision with the Scotch steamer Cambrae yesterday, which resulted in the sinking of the latter vessel, until she has been placed in dry dock. In addition to the large hole, nine feet by seven, which was stove in the bow of the Germanic above her water mark, a second hole has been discovered, right through the bows of the steamship, two feet in diameter. The Germanic's stern is also damaged.

The White Star Line officials changed their minds later to-day and decided to dispatch the Adriatic of their line to New York to-night with the steerage passengers of the Germanic, and those of her saloon passengers who may be desirous of taking passage in her.

The Cambrae is lying in a dangerous position in the track of vessels. Her forecastle is visible at low tide.

Death of Two Aged Women.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

MT. VERNON, Ill., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Adalin Atkinson of this city, aged 78, died this morning of pneumonia. Mrs. Amanda Harris died of paralysis at her home seven miles east of this city yesterday aged 76 years.

DROPPED DEAD IN THE LOBBY

Sudden Demise of J. F. Norton of Shannon County at Hotel Moser.

J. F. Norton, a prominent merchant of Eminence, Shannon County, Mo., met sudden death in the lobby of Moser Hotel about 7:15 Thursday morning. He and his nephew, C. F. Norton, also from Eminence, had just eaten breakfast. They were conversing when the younger man noticed that his uncle was not replying to his remarks. Looking more closely at him, he was startled by a pallor that spread over the elder man's face.

Norton gave a stifled groan and slid from his chair to the floor. He was picked up and carried out into the air. Dr. J. F. Irwin was summoned, but Norton was past help. In a few moments he was dead. Heart failure was the cause. The body was taken to the Morgue.

Norton and his nephew arrived in St. Louis Wednesday morning and registered at the Mona House. The elder man spent Wednesday buying goods in the wholesale district in company with his brother-in-law, W. R. Schuck. In the afternoon he met ex-State Senator T. T. Hathaway and made an appointment for Thursday morning. When he retired shortly before midnight, Norton seemed in usual health, and he rose Thursday feeling well. The attack that carried him off was sudden and unexpected.

Norton was a well-known resident of Shannon County and a member of the Masons and Odd Fellows. He was past 60 at the time of his death. He leaves a wife and family in good circumstances. The inquest will be held Thursday and arrangements have been made to ship the body to Eminence Friday morning.

St. Louis seems to be an unlucky place to the Norton family. Three month ago C. S. Norton, a brother of the deceased, was robbed of $500 in a house run by a woman named Snyder. Norton had the woman arrested and also his erstwhile Shannon County friend Jefferson Davis Storts. His proof was not strong enough to convict them and he never saw a cent of his money. C. S. Norton came to town a few days ago, ahead of his brother, to make another attempt to recover some of his money or punish Storts and the Snyder woman. It is said that J. F. Norton's visit was partly to assist his brother. His sudden death, however, has disarranged things and the Nortons seem now anxious to get back to Shannon County.

Other Shannon County people have been unfortunate in St. Louis lately. Some two months ago two prominent stock men named Shelton and Mayhan, from Eminence, met with a mishap at a rooming-house on Market street. One of them blew out the gas and morning found Shelton dead and Mayhan nearly so, but he was resuscitated.

DIDN'T TACKLE MR. GREEN.

A Colored Man Defies the Ushers at Havlin's to Eject Him.

There came near being a scene at Havlin's Theater last night on the wrong side of the curtain. F. Miles Green, a well known negro, accompanied by a colored woman, purchased two tickets for the balcony.

It seems that at Havlin's the balcony is divided into three sections, one of which is reserved for colored people. Mr. Green objected to the deportment of some of the occupants of the colored section so he found seats elsewhere.

A boy in uniform told them they would have to return to the negro section. Mr. Green refused. Another attendant then ordered him either to vacate or go to the box office and have his money refunded. He also objected to this. Then a third man came. Then Green grew warm under the collar. He said they would have to re-enforce their staff of ushers to eject him. He fought through the performance.

"It is only at Havlin's where this ultra discrimination is in force," said Mr. Green to a Post-Dispatch reporter.

"At the Exposition colored people are privileged to sit where they choose. At the Grand or Olympic we can sit in any part of the balcony. We may not sit down stairs, but I don't object to that. The people I found in the colored tier last night were not fit associates for the lady who was with me. That's the reason I refused to sit there."

DISGUISED AS A WORKMAN.

A Persistent Thief Who Does Business in the West End.

A sneak thief has been operating with great regularity in the western part of the city for the past two months. His method is to call at a residence with a kit of tools and state that he has been sent to take measures for weather strips or to repair the electric bell. Once inside he goes through the rooms and appropriates whatever seems good to him.

Wednesday the residence of Benjamin Harris, 4829 Fountain street, was visited. After the measures for weather strips had been taken and the man had departed, Mrs. Harris missed her pocket-book, containing $9.50. Another purse belonging to a servant containing 30 cents was also missing.

The thief is described as about 22 years old, smooth-faced, dark eyes, black hair, 5 feet 6 inches in height, heavy set, and wears a dark, shabby suit of clothes and black slouch hat.

Victory for Platt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The returns from the Republican primaries are decidedly favorable for the followers of Platt and Lauterbach. The County Committee of 1895 had 162 members, of which about ninety were Platt men. The committee for 1896 has 132 members, of which about 100 are Platt men. It is said that at least twenty out of thirty assembly districts in the city have elected Platt delegates.

The Man Under 35

BY LILIAN BELL

A clever girl's reasons for not liking men under thirty-five years of age. In the Christmas issue of

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IDEAL SUBJECT FOR A HYPNOTIST.

An Expert's Opinion of Mysterious Barbara Aub.

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"Lacking in Moral Sensibility, Yet the Strange Young Woman Has Never Been Immoral."

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Barbara Aub has made another sensation. Few women have ever made as much bother in the courts. First she charged Walter Langerman with criminal assault, and he was convicted. Then she confessed that she had lied and she was arraigned and pleaded guilty to perjury and was to be up for sentence to-morrow.

Yesterday she took another tack, and said her confession was false and she told the truth at first. Possibly she may have another story to-day. The confession was made to her three aunts, who visited her in the afternoon. What it is in detail they refuse to say. During their visit the matron in the room heard nothing of the conversation, but noticed that the aunts were having a serious time, weeping plentifully; but that Barbara was as serene as ever. She had been assigned counsel by the Court, Mr. House, who gives the explanation of the course of the young woman when he says he will apply for a commission to examine into her sanity.

Mrs. Dean, one of Barbara's aunts, also thinks that the young woman is out of her mind. Recorder Goff's explanation last week was the inscrutability of women.

Dr. Newton's explanation was that she is a hypnotic subject. His statement that he could induce her to retract the confession seems to be verified. Last night the doctor said: "The woman has not told the truth yet. There is a story behind it all. Miss Aub will tell it when her mind is entirely free from all surrounding influences. What she will make known what actually happened in Langerman's apartments. This woman is not insane. Her mind possesses judgment, reasoning power and consciousness. She is devoid of will power. She is a victim of auto-suggestion, and who is an ideal subject for a hypnotist's power. My observation of her appearance and action while she told her story in court led to the conclusion that she was telling a lie. She betrayed none of the emotions which any woman would show under such circumstances. I believe that she was a chaste woman until her visit to Langerman. She is lacking in moral sensibility, and yet she has never been immoral."

The surprise of Mrs. Whittemore, Miss Kellard and all others connected with the Door of Hope, upon learning last night that Miss Aub had retracted her confession, was as great as was that of Miss Smedley and the young woman's aunts when they heard that she had made the confession.

The theory of hypnotism in this case will have many followers. It explains so many mysterious things. Those who don't accept it will conclude that the young woman is either insane or wholly depraved.

There has been no explanation for Barbara Aub's refusal to see her aunts and Miss Smedley since she has been placed in the Tombs. She simply said that she did not want to see them. Nor has there been any explanation of why she made that parrot-like reply to all questions put to her:

"I have nothing to say."

One familiar with hypnotism might say that this was the result of the hypnotic influence under which she was placed—the post-hypnotic state, as it is called. It has been demonstrated that a subject in a hypnotic trance can be directed to do certain things after he or she comes out of the trance state, and that the subject will carry out these directions. This condition may last for several days.

Is it possible that Miss Aub made this constantly repeated reply because she was directed to do so, because she was under the influence of a mind stronger than her own? Is it possible that this same influence has prevented her from seeing her aunts and Miss Smedley? It is possible that Barbara Aub has taken back her confession with a well defined purpose in her mind. It is possible that she appreciates the fact that it will make her case very much more of a muddle than it already is.

It presents two possible escapes from imprisonment. If she can convince a court and jury that the confession was extorted from her she may escape altogether. If it should be decided that her actions are the result of a disordered mind, she may be sent to an insane asylum for a little time and then go free.

HE "BOOSTED" HIS PAL.

Novel Method of Committing a Robbery Adopted by Negroes.

James Smith, colored, was arrested at 913 North Eleventh street, Wednesday, on suspicion of having robbed the notion store of Sol A. Grassmuck, 710 North Eleventh street, on the night of the 9th inst. Part of the stolen property was found in Smith's room.

George Williams and John Clark, also colored, were arrested later on suspicion. Williams admitted his guilt and said that he held Clark up to the window while the latter broke the glass. Clark then entered and passed the $12 worth of plunder out to him.

A Bake-Shop Fire.

The Fire Department was called out about 3:45 a. m. for a blaze in the 3-story brick building, 1821 South Ninth street, owned and occupied by Henry Diekman as a residence and bakery. Damage, $1,500; fully insured. Cause of fire unknown.

CHILD'S SHOCKING DEATH.

Her Skull Was Crushed and Torn by a Wagon Tongue.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

MILAN, Mo., Dec. 12.—Bessie, the little 6-year-old daughter of Wm. Mendenhall, who lives near this city, was instantly killed last night. The child's parents had started to town, taking her with them, and while the wagon was going down a steep incline, the team became unmanageable and ran away. A piece of the wagon tongue struck he child in the back of the head, completely tearing away her skull.

IN BED WITH A CORPSE.

William Alschager Found His Stepson Dead Beside Him.

When William Ahlschagen awoke at 6 o'clock Thursday morning and turned over to speak to his stepson and bed mate, John H. Simon, he was horrified to discover that he was in bed with a corpse. The young man, to whom he had been talking two hours before, had passed away so quietly that his bedfellow was not disturbed, and had not his wife's entrance caused Alschager to wake, life and death might have occupied the same couch for hours longer.

Young Simon was up and about Wednesday. In the evening he complained of a pain in his chest, but refused to allow a doctor to be called. His illness increased as the night wore on yet nothing serious was apprehended. Finally he apparently dropped off to sleep after bidding his stepfather good-bye. Two years ago the young man had a severe attack of rheumatism that left his heart weak. He probably died of heart failure. An inquest will be held Thursday afternoon.

Young Simon was popular in the neighborhood where he lived. His parents do not know of his having received any injury that might have caused his death.

BIGGEST MAN IN TOWN.

Col. A. A. Powell, an Eight-Footer From Texas, Is Here.

There is no bigger man in St. Louis to-day than Col. A. A. Powell of Dallas, Tex. Few people know the Colonel here, but that "cuts no ice." Dame Nature is responsible for the Colonel's prominence. He measures 7 feet 8 inches in height.

In the midway at the Union Station he created a sensation. The bootblacks dodged after him and offered to shine his No. 14 boots at the regular price; and spinsters stared at him through their glasses, and everybody turned around to look at him. Col. Powell did not accept the bootblacks' offer, and seemed oblivious to the attention he was attracting. He squeezed through the door of a Market street car and later strode into the St. James Hotel.

Col. Powell is a stock raiser, and at present is touring the large cities, sight-seeing. He says he is the observed of all observers wherever he goes. He is a bachelor, 34 years of age. Col. Powell told a Post-Dispatch reporter that he acquired his immense proportions before he was 17 years of age, while working on a farm. His father, mother and sister are of ordinary height.

He firmly believes that drinking water from an old spring on the camp grounds of the Indians, which farmers in the vicinity said was haunted, had something to do with his growth. But he is not sorry. He declares that he has some too many inches for his business. He can lift a bale of cotton weighing 600 pounds into a freight-car with ease.

"I seem to attract an awful lot of attention," said he. "It's a little inconvenient to be so large sometimes. I am worn out from this long trip in a chair-car. You see I can't get a berth in a sleeping car to fit. In some hotels I have got to lengthen the bed by adding a table at the end, or something else. Why, down at home, I made my own bed. Everybody there knows me. I am a Mason, an Odd Fellow and a Knight of Pythias.

POST-OFFICE CRIMES.

Sentences Imposed on Violators of Uncle Sam's Postal Regulations.

John A. W. Phillips, late Postal Clerk on the Little Rock & Memphis Railroad, was arrested Thursday on an indictment charging him with taking stolen money. Phillips had been arrested by Post-office Inspectors Thomas and Sutton of the St. Louis division on the charge of stealing from the mails. The case came up for trial before the United States Court at Little Rock and after the Government introduced its evidence the defendant entered a motion for a change of venue. It was not clearly shown whether the robbery occurred in the Little Rock district and the suit was dismissed. The Government authorities immediately applied for a State warrant charging Phillips with stealing money and he is now lodged in jail at Little Rock. Inspector Johnson says the case will be vigorously prosecuted in the Arkansas State courts.

Perry Wright, a tramp printer, was arrested Oct. 9 for robbing the Post-office at Big Springs, Neb. Wednesday at Omaha, Neb., he entered a plea of guilty to the charge and was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year.

T. M. Simmons, late clerk in the Post-office at Bell, Io., pleaded guilty to the charge of presenting and cashing fraudulently issued money orders at Omaha, Neb., Wednesday and received a one year's sentence to the penitentiary.

Chief Postal Inspector Johnson was apprised to-day of the robbery of the Post-office at Baxter Springs, Mo., Wednesday night. The safe was blown upon and $8 worth of 2-cent stamps were taken.

The burglary of the Post-office at Turon, Kan., Wednesday night has been reported to Chief Postal Inspector Johnson. Sixteen dollars and fifty cents of money order funds and $78 in postal funds were secured by the burglars.

ALEX COLLIE, BLOCKADE KING.

Once a Millionaire, He Dies Almost Destitute.

FRIEND OF CONFEDERATES.

Under the Guns of Fort Fisher He Carried on a Thriving Trade in Contraband Articles.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Two men were the only mourners at Woodlawn Cemetery yesterday, at the funeral services over the body of Alexander Collie, who a few years ago was known in every European capital. In the civil war he was a noted blockade runner, who established headquarters at Wilmington, N. C. Under the guns of Fort Fisher this "blockade king" carried on a thriving trade in the contraband articles of war and exported the cotton of the South. Collie, who at one time could have drawn his check for millions of dollars, died almost destitute, and his funeral expenses were paid by a son of an old friend. There is no name on the coffin plate, for he died under the assumed name of George McNeil.

Alexander Collie's home in London, situated in Kensington Gardens, was one of princely hospitality. It was gorgeously fitted up, had a corps of liveried servants, and the entertainments given there were on the most extravagant and lavish scale. This grand establishment was especially made the home of Confederate officials and friends of the Confederacy in England, and Mr. Collie had often as guests J. H. Mason, the ex-United States Senator and Confederate Commissioner to England, and Mr. Slidell, the Confederate representative to France. In Wilmington, N. C., the firm leased one of the handsomest houses in the city. Following their successful trade and speculations during the war, Alexander Collie & Co. went into the cotton and cotton goods trade, and opened branch houses in Egypt, British India, Australia and South America. Operations were begun on a gigantic scale, and in an effort to corner cotton goods in all the markets of the world in the early '70s, Collie & Co. made the largest failure known in the history of commerce. The liabilities above the available assets were about $40,000,000, equivalent to $200,000,000. Alexander Collie, the head boots at the regular price; and spinsters stared at him through their glasses, and of the house, who was held responsible for the failure, had to flee from England, and he was spirited away to the private yacht of a friend, in which he sailed to Barcelona, Spain.

His flight from England caused an immense sensation, and though pursued by creditors and detectives, he successfully eluded them. From Spain he went direct to South America, and after a few years reappeared at the White Sulphur Springs as a traveling artist—Geo. McNeil by name. He was there recognized by Geo. Peterkin Grant, a wealthy Englishman, who owns a handsome estate at the Springs. Mr. Grant kept Collie's secret and he remained in that vicinity for several years. He afterward went to Richmond, where, owing to his knowledge of finances, he became associated with the late Col. H. C. Parsons, James G. Blaine, Gen. Butler and others in the Richmond and Allegheny Railroad, which corporation acquired the famous James River and Kanawha Canal, in Virginia, and which had for its roadbed the towpath of the canal. Prosperous for a time, his projected other railroads met misfortune seemed to follow him and finally he became again embarrassed and, comparatively without means, he came to this city.

One of the strangest things in connection with the "Blockade King" was that, although he lived in comparative poverty in New York, his wife was living in luxury in London. As Alexander Collie he was supposed to have been lost at sea. He evidently made some disposition of some property in favor of his wife and went to live a life of obscurity and poverty alone.

He was turned out of the Harlem flat where he lived several years ago and went to the Colonial Hotel, on 125th street. There he was found by several friends, among them Richard Lamb, eldest son of Col. Lamb of Fort Fisher. These men experienced much difficulty in aiding him on account of his pride.

Pretty Xmas Goods.

There seems to be an inexhaustible supply of pretty novelties in silverware and gold offered for the holiday season and Christmas buyers who have chosen this most appropriate line of presents are eagerly making their selections. The different jewelry stores have excelled the efforts of former years and the desire of each seems to be to outclass the others in their displays.

Mr. Fred W. Drosten, at 619 Olive, will not take second place for any of them. He has recently remodeled his large store and enlarged his stock considerably. He has given place to many exclusive articles in sterling silver and gold for the holiday trade which for cheapness and good quality cannot be duplicated. His store is always crowded.

Mr. Drosten is the pioneer jeweler of Olive street and his long experience eminently fits him to supply the tastes of everyone.

Fire in a Warehouse.

About 6:20 a. m. fire was discovered in the shipping room of the American Brake Co.'s warehouse, 1822 North Second street. Building and contents damaged about $6000; fully insured; cause of fire unknown.

All Clover Leaf Trains.

Have cafe cars; meals served at all hours. Ticket office 505 Olive.

A Two-Day Drive!

Ladies' $10 and $12.50 Jackets, - - - - - - Children's $10 and $12.50 Cloaks, - - - - - - Choice, - $6.50

The Children's Cloaks are sizes 8 to 14 years—a large variety of colors and styles—same have been sold all season for $10 and $12.50—your choice Friday and Saturday for $6.50.

Closing Out Ladies' Mackintoshes

$12.00 Double Texture Garments, adjustable cape, going at..... $7.50

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Robert Boddie	Big Springs, Tex.
Fannie Goldhofer	2111 Stansbury
Thomas Kane, Jr.	413 Dorcas
Angelica Schertler	2407 S. 7th
Leonard W. Schmits	208 Shenandoah
Lottie M. Davis	1312 Geyer
John G. Storey	1170 N. King's highway
Annie Renan	1418 Blair
Thomas S. Lewis	3225 Locust
Mary Rilliag	1145 Euclid
John F. Lynch	1518 Washington
Mollie Drabb	1534 Cora
Benjamin Klosmeyer	1420 Papin
Minnie Draygans	4139 Grove
Charles Waller	907 Morgan
Cora A. Parker	1407½ Linden
Herman F. Fisherling	3240 Doggett
Hannah E. Bow	3916 Hereford
Edward J. Pohgh	1712 Olive
Mary H. McSweeney	1012 N. 19th
Nicholas G. J. Ancelini	1119 Cass
Fannie Foster	1110 Cass
John R. Ferguson	2047 Pine
Ida R. Spalsbur	2211 N. Market
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Excelsior Temple, Rathbone Sisters, gave their annual entertainment last evening at their hall, Ninth street and Franklin avenue. The hall was packed to the doors by members and their friends. After a performance by children, several hours were spent in dancing.

President of Switzerland.

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 12.—M. Adrien Lachenal, who was Vice-President for 1895, has been elected President of the Republic for 1896. He is a Radical in politics and his home is in Geneva.

M. Deucher Thurgan has been elected Vice-President of the Republic for 1896.

A CERTAIN CURE FOR PILES.

A New Preparation, Safe, Painless, Convenient and Lasting Cure for This Troublesome Disease.

We do not intend to indorse any except articles of real merit. We therefore take pleasure in calling attention to a new pile cure which has been remarkably successful in curing every form of itching, bleeding or protruding piles. The remedy is known as the Pyramid Pile Cure and is recommended by the best medical authorities on account of its absolute safety, ease of application and instant relief from pain.

The Pyramid Pile Cure contains no opium or other poison and does not interfere with daily occupation while using. People who believed nothing but a surgical operation would cure them have been astonished at the results from a 50 cent package of the Pyramid.

Mrs. Mary C. Tyler of Heppner, Ore., writes: One package of Pyramid Pile Cure entirely cured me of piles from which I have suffered for years, and I have never had the slightest return of them since.

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Treatise on cause and cure of piles mailed free by addressing Pyramid Co., Albion, Mich.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

ANY drug store is authorized to receive want advertisements for the Post-Dispatch. Three lines (20 words), 5 cents; each additional line, 5 cents.

ACCOUNTANT—Accountant wants situation; best references. Add. 2618 Sheridan av.

ACCOUNTANT—Set of books to keep by expert accountant evenings or during day; refs. No. 1; salary moderate. Address W 846, this office.

BOY—Situation to work around private house as dining room boy; reference. Address P. Held, 2008 Olive st.

BOOKKEEPER—Experienced bookkeeper and accountant desires position; salary $10 per week. Address M 849, this office.

BOY—Position by a boy of 17 to drive delivery wagon of any kind; well acquainted in city; reference. Address D 850, this office.

BOOKKEEPER—Experienced bookkeeper desires position; salary $10 per week; good references. Address W 850, this office.

CLERK—Position as second clerk in drug store. Address D. C. W., 3625 N. Broadway.

COLLECTOR—Position as collector for one or more firms by competent man. Address A 850, this office.

CONFECTIONER—First-class confectioner wishes a couple more days' work to help him, or steady work. Address A 846, this office.

COACHMAN—Wanted, situation by experienced German coachman; good city refs.; moderate wages; will drive for business house. Add. E 847, this office.

DRIVER—Situation as driver of delivery wagon; can give reference and bond. Address F 852, this office.

DRIVER—Wanted, position as driver by sober man of 25; acquainted in city; city delivery or shipping wagon. Add. B 848, this office.

MAN—Situation wanted by young Englishman to take care of horses and help about house. Address W. Ellis, 5813 Manchester rd., city.

MAN—Situation of any kind; wages no object. Address H 850, this office.

MAN—Wanted, employment; would invest $75 in procuring same. Address E 850, this office.

MAN—Young man, energetic, wishes work; will address envelopes. Address T 845, this office.

MAN—Position by young man as assistant engineer or in factory to look after sewing machines. Address S 850, this office.

MAN—Young man of 20 will pay $10 for position that will pay $9 per week during winter. Address S 851, this office.

MAN—Situation by experienced electrician to do electric repair work; also good house wireman; excellent references. Address O 851, this office.

MAN—Young man, seven years' business experience, wants position as salesman, solicitor, collector or clerk; best reference. Address T 851, this office.

MAN—An industrious man, acquainted with machinery, handy with tools and fair penman and marker, wishes work at $1.25 a day. Address H. 849, this office.

MAN—Traveling man would like to contract for 1896; best of reference from present house; seven years' experience in five Western States. Address R 850, this office.

MAN—Position by competent white man; honest, sober and industrious; attend horses, cow, chickens, yard, furnace, etc.; best city refs. Address D 845, this office.

MAN—Wanted, position as night watchman, porter or driver, 30 years old, first-class references as an honest, sober and reliable man; small salary. Address W 851, this office.

MAN—Wanted, any kind of indoor work by a young man able and willing to make himself generally useful; a good home more of an object than wages. Address H 843, this office.

MAN—Situation by young man, 30 years of age, sober and industrious; has had six years' experience in the rubber business; will work at anything honorable; can give best of references. Address A., 2214 Clark av.

MAN—Man aged 30, who understands the care of horses and everything in the way of housework, wishes situation in family; willing and will do cheerfully everything requested; moderate wages. Address T. Lambert, 2500 N. 9th st.

MAN—Wanted, employment by a first-class superintendent of building; understands all the branches thoroughly; best of reference can be furnished from Chicago architects. James Ingram, care First National Bank, Taylor, Tex.

SALESMAN—Traveling salesman, four years' experience, wishes to make change in line; can sell anything, from car loads of toothpicks to steam engines; I am a corker; reference, bond, anything you want. Address H 851, this office.

SALESMAN—Wanted, a position as furniture and carpet salesman; 10 years' experience; city references. Address L 849, this office.

WAITER—Waiter wants situation in boarding-house; understands furnace and care of horses and general light housework; light wages. Address C. A. Norris, 1002 Chestnut.

$12.50 UP—Suits and overcoats to order. Mesritz Tailoring Co., 8th and Olive

$3,00 UP—Pants to order. Mesritz Tailoring Co., 219 N. 8th st., cor. Olive, 2d floor.

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HELP WANTED—MALE.

AXLE TURNERS WANTED—Axle turners. 2800 DeKalb st.

BOY WANTED—Experienced dining room boy. 3142 Locust.

BOY WANTED—Strong boy to work in meat shop. 3700 Morgan st.

BOY WANTED—Big boy to work in pop corn factory. 1726 Olive st.

BOY WANTED—Boy for grocery and meat market; must understand the meat business. Add. O 851, this office.

CANVASSERS WANTED—Experienced newspaper canvassers. Apply at this office.

HOUSEMAN WANTED—First-class houseman; must understand caring for hardwood floor; answer, giving references. Address M 851, this office.

MAN WANTED—Young man to wait on table and work around house for board. 1206 Washington av.

MAN WANTED—Experienced operator on Standard screw and National Fair stitch machine. Peters Shoe Co.

MAN WANTED—Man with a family to work in milk dairy; a good steady man and good milker. Address N 848, this office.

MEN WANTED—100 men to work on artificial; come ready for work; bring hand ax. Apply at Grand av. and river, Burlington Elevator Co.

MAN or lady with $300 to run branch store; good security. Foster, 304 N. 6th.

MEN WANTED—Operators on Copeland and Chase lasting machine; also puller over, heel burnishers and shank burnishers on men's fine shoes. The Brown Shoe Co., 11th and St. Charles st., 4th floor.

SALESMAN WANTED—Active salesman; also men to learn good trade. Foster, 304 N. 6th.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

MEN WANTED—For U. S. Army; able-bodied, unmarried men, between the ages of 21 and 30, citizens of the United States, of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For full information apply to Recruiting Officer, S. E. Cor. 3d and Olive sts., St. Louis, Mo.

SALESMEN WANTED—Salesmen for a line of holiday goods. Call after 9, 1130 Washington av.

SHIRT CUTTER WANTED—An experienced short-knife shirt cutter. Apply at once at Premier Shirt Waist Factory, 415 Washington av.

TEAMS WANTED—Twenty teams at 15th and Locust; pay 45c per load. Keary & Hertzog.

WAITER WANTED—Waiter at once. Address Belleville House, Belleville, Ill.

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WANTED—Boys and Girls to earn Christmas money in spare moments, also handsome present to each. Send name; no cash required. T. H. Staynor & Co., Providence, R. I.

COOK—Wanted, sit. by a woman and German girl as cook and general housework. 1008 Wash st.

COOK—Experienced woman wants situation as cook in private family; has good reference. 2110 Eugenia.

COOK—Situation by experienced woman; good cook and laundress; in nice family. 2118 Franklin av., rear.

COOK—Situation as cook; good meat and pastry man; hotel or restaurant. Address Alfred Barrett, 7340 S. 6th st.

DISHWASHER—Situation to wash dishes in a coffee restaurant. Address F 852, this office.

DRESSMAKER—Dressmaker wishes sewing in private family, day or week. Add. N 847, this office.

DRESSMAKER—A first-class dressmaker desires work in families; perfect fit guaranteed. 2924 Olive st.

DRESSMAKER—A first-class dressmaker wishes a few engagements in families; references. 3206 Chestnut.

DRESSMAKING—First-class dressmaker from New York wishes engagements in families; terms very reasonable. Add. H 840, this office.

DRESSMAKER—First-class dressmaker, perfect cutter and fitter, wishes engagements in families by the day; terms reasonable. Add. R 848, this office.

GIRL—Situation by a girl as housegirl or to do general housework. Apply 524 Market av., East St. Louis, Ill.

GIRL—First-class house and dining room girl wants situation; best city reference. 3956 Cote Brilliante av.

GIRL—Situation by a neat colored girl to do housework or dining room work; good city references. 2303 Morgan st.

GIRL—Colored girl wants situation in private family as cook and to wash and iron; first-class city references. Call or send postal to 1404 Morgan st.

HOUSEGIRL—Situation in private family to do housework. 4160 Lexington av.

HOUSEWORK—Situation for general housework, without washing. 3214 Franklin, rear.

HOUSEKEEPER—Young woman desires position as housekeeper with respectable gentleman. Address B 851, this office.

HOUSEKEEPER—Situation as working housekeeper in small family by middle-aged lady; $1 per week. Address C 838, this office.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, good place, light housework, for steady, industrious, honest and reliable girl; general work about house attended to; refs. given. Add. L 851, this office.

LAUNDRESS—Good laundress wants washing to take home. Walker, 3154½ Easton av., rear.

LAUNDRESS—First-class colored laundress wants Mondays and Tuesdays to do laundry work, or will do cleaning any day; reference. Mrs. Bakew, 2721 Laclede, av.

LAUNDRESS—A first-class laundress wants the first two or three days in each week; first-class city references. 1404 Morgan st.

LAUNDRESS—Wanted, washing to take home by German woman; first-class work; no ironing. 4405 Lucky st., one block north of Easton av.

STENOGRAPHER—Position by lady stenographer; accurate, quick and years of experience; best of references. Address A 851, this office.

WASHING—Wanted, washing to do at home, or will go out by the day. 1213 Walton av.

WOMAN—Wanted, general housework for a middle-aged woman in small family. 420 N. 15th st.

WOMAN—A middle-aged woman wants to do any kind of work. Address 1016 Market st., rear.

WOMAN—Situation by experienced woman to cook, more for home than wages. 819 N. 21st st.

WOMAN—Situation by a young woman to wash dishes, restaurant or hotel. Address F 846, this office.

WOMAN—Reliable woman wants sit. to care for child and do mending. Inquire afternoons, 1707A Washington.

WOMAN—Situation by an experienced colored woman in private family or cook in boarding house. Address H 846, this office.

WOMAN—Wanted by young widow with child 7 months old, to assist in housework; object occupation and not money. Address 2709 S. 10th st.

YOUNG LADY—Wanted, by young lady, position in doctor's office; good references furnished if desired. Address D 837, this office.

STOVE REPAIRS.

Castings and repairs for stoves and ranges of every description. J. FORSHAW, 311 N. 12th st.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

5 cents per line each insertion.

COOK WANTED—Good cook; refs. required. 3129 Pine.

COOK WANTED—Cook at once; come ready for work. 3028 Locust st.

COOK WANTED—Girl to cook, wash and iron; wages $20 per month. 3072 Cates av.

COOK WANTED—Girl for cooking, washing and ironing. Apply at 4190 West Belle pl.

COOK WANTED—A first-class cook, willing to assist with washing and ironing; bring references. 2305 Lafayette av.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

COOK WANTED—A good cook, and to assist with washing and ironing; none need apply without first-class reference. Call Friday 4206 Pine st.

GIRL WANTED—Girl to assist in kitchen. 2006 Olive st.

GIRL WANTED—Girl to cook, wash and iron. 4580 Cook av.

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HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 2011 Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A young girl to assist in housework. 4025 Finney av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 3902 Washington av.

HOUSEGIRL—Good girl for general housework in small family. Apply 4034 Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German or Swede girl for general housework. 3843 Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good girl for housework; good wages. 2018 Chouteau av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework; good cook. 4413 Delmar boul.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Good girl for general housework; German preferred. 2704A Locust st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Good girl for general housework; German prefered. 1142 Bayard av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework; small family. 4442 Morgan st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Young girl to assist in housework; no washing or ironing; family of 3. 803 Clarkson pl. Take Suburban line.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 626, corner 27th and Lucas.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A white girl about 15 years old to assist in light housework. 2735 Lucas av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework. 1718 Mississippi.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl bet. 12 and 14 for light work; small wages. 2700 Adams st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework. 1717 Chouteau.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 4363 Laclede av.

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DOG—Lost, black water spaniel; small; named Zip. Return to 4202 Cook av. and receive reward.

DOG—Lost, Saturday or Sunday, a large mastiff dog. Please return to 1234 N. 16th st. and receive reward.

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PERSONAL—M.: Make it Friday or Saturday and telephone me which.

PERSONAL—Ethel, the Blonde, got your answer too late for Sunday; at Post-office, 11 a. m.; write again. Address C 835, this office.

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FAST RUNS.

Engineer Kingan Tells of Some Swift Trips.

From the Chicago Tribune.

"Fast runs! We've been having fast runs ever since we've been on this fast mail train!"

The fast mail's schedule time from Chicago to Galesburg is three hours and fifteen minutes. The distance is 163 miles. On the way down five stops must be made, two of them for water," said Mr. Kingan, "Few people have any idea how fast these runs are. You can figure it out for yourself; 163 miles in 195 minutes, with five stops and two slow ups. The actual running time is close to a mile a minute, and there are stretches of good track where we go faster than this. The train, too, is a heavy one. Fast as the schedule time is I have made the run faster."

"Yes," interposed Jack Healy again, "we've made the trip in all the way from 2:05 to 3:15; our best trip was three hours and five minutes.

This remarkable run was made last April, and is said to be the fastest trip ever made by the mail train between Chicago and Galesburg. Taking out the time consumed in stops and slow ups the time was just about a mile a minute for the whole distance.

"If there has been a better run than that from Chicago here I have not heard of it," commented Mr. Kingan. The achievement at the time made a decided stir in railroad circles.

Every day for over a year Mr. Kingan has been speeding an engine close to the mile limit, and occasionally exceeding it.

"The engine with which these runs were made," he explained, "is No. 513, what we call a simple, class H, mogul." This locomotive is not so heavy and has smaller drive wheels than the speed engines now being experimented with, and yet under proper management shows great power. Some engineers contend that with a few changes these moguls would be the fastest engines running, but Mr. Kingan is inclined to the belief that the new No. 590 will produce even more astonishing results.

When he was asked to tell how he made the run of Wednesday of last week, 124 miles from Galesburg to Aurora in 126 minutes, his characteristic reply was: "I can't tell just how it was made. It did not seem to be anything remarkable and I took no special observations."

The run in which Mr. Kingan takes most pride, however, is that of last Sunday. This was a fine run of forty miles from Galesburg to Mendota in eighty minutes, including all stops and slow-ups, and comprising the time from the start from the depot in Galesburg to the stop at the depot in Mendota. It is estimated the five stops and two slow-ups consumed twenty minutes. So that the actual running time was sixty minutes, or eighty miles an hour. Mr. Kingan said the distance between the two stations was made in better time than a mile a minute; in the other a trifle less owing to slow-ups for the Bureau bridges. When the reports of the time reached Galesburg the officials could scarcely believe their eyes, and had to go over the figures sheet in detail before they could accept it as correct.

Mr. Kingan made these fast runs with the ordinary road engine, No. 512, and others of the engineers on the fast mail run are not far behind. It is believed that with No. 590 remarkable results will be obtained.

Mr. Kingan was asked if he was not afraid when going at such a terrific speed. He answered:

"The only time I'm afraid is when I see something ahead of me that I think I'm going to strike. Ordinarily, I cannot say I am afraid."

THE MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.

The E. R. White Grain Co. have received from one of their southern milling customers the following description of how hard winter wheat can best be handled by soft winter wheat millers in order to obtain the best results. They say: "Some days ago we brought in a car load of your hard wheat. It has now come in and we have been grinding it for nearly a week and find it helps out very much. Before grinding it the wheat is dampened as it runs through a conveyor before going into the mill. In that way the wheat is dampened uniformly and every grain gets its proper share of moisture. We wet the wheat so thoroughly that if you take up a handful of wheat you could almost squeeze the water out of it, and perhaps you could squeeze out a drop or two from a large handful. That wheat, after being wet in this manner, is allowed to remain in the bin for 24 hours. It is then drawn off, mixed with the other wheat and all ground together. This, of course, all ground together. This Turkey hard wheat, being so very hard, will not handle well by itself, as the bran breaks up, but after being wet for 24 hours the water seems to soak into the bran quite a good distance, so that it handles very well, indeed, and so far as we can see in the milling it handles practically like the winter wheat after being handled in this way."

Cincinnati Price Current says: Weather somewhat trying on wheat, many sections lacking snow protection. A positively discouraging change not apparent. Farmers maintain confident holding of wheat and offer very sparingly. Corn not pressingly offered and general position not notably changed.

The lowest final report makes the yields of that State as follows: Corn, 265,000,000 bu; wheat, 201,000,000 bu; oats, 18,078,000 bu; barley, 21,200,000 bu; potatoes, 2,610,000 tons hay.

Spring wheat flour output last week was 205,010 bbls at Minneapolis, 19,295 at Duluth and 7,200 at Superior-Duluth; 86,025 at Milwaukee, a total of 410,284 bbls, against 284,235 for same week last year.

New Orleans clearances 105,000 bu corn for Liverpool, 35,700 bu wheat.

New Orleans clearances for Liverpool are 19 loads corn and for next week estimated at 18.

New York advices to H. D. Wescoe were that large orders received from United Kingdom and the Continent, and reported 40 loads worked yesterday.

It is stated that inquiry among Northwestern elevator men indicates 25,000,000 bu wheat to hold in private elevators. This would be all right if there was any such private capacity, but there isn't.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	Thursday.	Wed'sday.	Year Ago.
Wheat	1,350438	1,324,850	6,387,284
Corn	46,700	26,002	934,040
Oats	611,462	614,997	765,000
Rye	15,936	15,936	8,148
Barley	10,487	9,857	24,008
No. 2 wheat	91,986	100,073	5,971,660
No. 2 corn	21,784	21,259	620,113
No. 2 oats	61,882	63,832	473,296
No. 2 rye	6,984	7,004	4,704

No. 2 hard winter wheat, 1,013,649 bu; No. 2 white corn, 3,675 bu; No. 2 white oats, 70,702 bu.

Regular Cash Market Prices.

	Thursday.	We'nsdy.	Year Ago.
WHEAT.			
No. 2 red	66 b	66 b	53
No. 3 red	62 b	62 b	52
No. 2 winter	59½b	60 a	51
No. 3 hard winter	58	59 @58¾	52½
CORN.			
No. 2	26¾@26¾	24¾@25¼	46¾
No. 2 white	24 n	24 n	42¾
No. 3	24¾	24¾a	46¾
OATS.			
No. 2	17½b	17½b	30¾
No. 3	16½b	16½b	30

Future Prices.

	Closing Wed'sday.	Highest To-Day.	Lowest To-Day.	Closing Thursday.
WHEAT.				
Dec	58¾b			58 a
May	62¾@62¾b	63¾	62	62 @62¼a
CORN.				
Dec	24¾a	24¾		24¾b
Jan	24¾a	24¾@24¾	24¼@24¾	24¾
May	25¾b	25¾	25¾	25¾a
OATS.				
Dec	17½b			17½b
May	20 b	20¾	20¾	20¾

CHICAGO—Reported by Gaylord, Blessing & Co.

WHEAT.				
May	61¼@61¾	61¾	61	61
CORN.				
May	28½b	28¾	28¾@28¾	28¾
OATS.				
May	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾
PORK.				
May	$8.67@70	$8.75	$8.70	$8.75
LARD.				
May	5.42@45	5.45	5.42	5.45
RIBS.				
May	4.42	4.47	4.42@45	4.45

WHEAT.

The unfavorable tenor of the morning cables and the continuance of large receipts gave domestic markets a lower opening, but the decline was small and really there was not much for sale, the buying, in fact, at the opening being decidedly better than the selling. Speculation, for that matter, was extremely light on both sides. The cables reported dull foreign markets and an indifference that indicated the nearness of the holiday. Primary markets showed a good demand and inquiry for the better grades of timothy, as well as a fair demand for timothy of all descriptions. Shippers still in the market and purchasing right freely. The receipts of prairie were considerably larger, which has had a somewhat depressing effect on this hay. Clover, when choice, is in demand, and ready sale. Straw steady, with a better inquiry and not much for sale.

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East Side—Clover—2 cars grassy mixed at $9. Timothy—1 car No. 3 at $10, 2 No. 2 at $11, 1 No. 1 at $13, 1 choice at $15.40.

Straw—Sales: East Side—1 car and part car rye at $6.

FLOUR AND FEED.

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PROVISIONS.

PORK—Standard mess, $8@8.12½ per bbl; on orders, 50c higher.

LARD—Prime steam, 5.05c; choice, 5.12½c.

BACON—Sales, boxed lots: Shoulders, 5¼c; longs, 5¾c; clear ribs, 5¾c; short clear, 5¾c. On orders: Longs, 5¾c; ribs, 5¾c; short clear, 5¾c.

DRY SALT MEATS—Sales, boxed lots: Shoulders, 4¾c; longs, 4¾c; clear ribs, 4¾c; short clear, 4¾c. On orders, boxed: Longs, 4¾c; clear ribs, 4¾c; short clear, 5c.

BREAKFAST BACON—On orders, 9@10c per lb.

SUGAR-CURED HAMS—On orders, 9½@10¾c.

COUNTRY LARD—Quotable at 4½@5c.

BEEF—Mess, $5.50@7 per bbl; tried, 9@11c per lb; tongues, $4.50 per doz.

SEEDS AND CASTOR BEANS.

GRASS SEEDS—Quiet, but steady. Clover, $5.50@6.50 per 100 lbs; timothy, $2@2.50; red top, $3@7; millet, 50@80c.

FLAXSEED—Firm; salable at 60c.

HEMP SEED—Steady at $2.50, pure test.

CASTOR BEANS—In demand at $1.20 for prime in car lots; smaller lots, $1.20@1.22.

STOCK PEAS—Quotable at 80c to 85c.

BUCKWHEAT—Quotable at 75@90c per 100 lbs.

LEAD AND SPELTER.

LEAD—Dead dull and depressed; sellers asking $3, and no demand, save for a car or so.

ZINC—Lots in the vicinity of 5 cars chemical at $3, 100 tons desilverized at $3.02½, 200 do for Jan. at $3.05.

SPELTER—Offered at $3.20.

ON THE STREET.

NOTICE—Economy of space requires the omission of markets infrequently changed. Therefore articles not quoted are to be noted as unchanged from prices given on their next preceding publication.

(The Post-Dispatch quotations are for lots in first hands, unles otherwise quoted. Orders are filled with choice goods and are higher.)

FRUITS.

APPLES—A good holiday trade is reported in fancy fruit. Ben Davis have been selling at $225@2.35. Genting at $1.75@2, willow twig at $2.75@3 and whitesap at $2.50@2.75.

STRAWBERRIES—California in light supply and sold at 30@35c.

CALIFORNIA FRUIT—Pears, $2@2.50 per 40-lb crate; Emperor grapes, $1.60@1.75 per ½-crate; pomegranates, $1@1.25 per case; Japanese persimmons, $1.25@1.50.

MALAGA GRAPES—Sell at $5@8 per bbl.

PINEAPPLES—Havana, $3@5 per doz.

ORANGES—Firm. California, new crop, boxed fruit, $4.25@4.50 per box; navel, $5; Mexican, $4.25@4.50; Jamaica, $4@4.25 per box and $3@3.25 per bbl.

LEMONS—New Messina, $3.50@4 per box; Malaga, $3@3.50.

GRAPE FRUIT—Quiet. Jamaica, $6@6.50 per box.

CRANBERRIES—In fair demand. Wisconsin, Bell and Bugle, $8.50@9 per bbl; Cape Cod $8@9; Jersey, choice maebling cleaned, $7.50 per bbl; fancy hand picked or screened at $8.50.

BANANAS—On orders, 75c@$1.50 per bunch.

COCOANUTS—$3 per 1,000, $3.50 per 100.

DRIED FRUITS—Steady. Apples—Evaporated at 4¾, first intimated the weather was bad for the crop, and then said the plant was in no danger. So the Price Current was not in it as an influence.

A strengthening factor finally came along in the shape of San Francisco reporting further sales to Australia and Africa, and this followed by New York's advices of large export orders received there caused increased buying, which pulled prices. The day's clearances, however, were only 270,000 bu wheat, flour and wheat; and Liverpool closing quiet at ¼d decline and the seaboard failing to report any large export sales had an unfavorable effect. The continental cables were firm and generally somewhat higher, but had no influence. domestic markets showed no response late in the day.

SPOT GRADES—Nothing to do. Market on call; no offer to sell, and the bids were too far apart to indicate much of anything. No. 2 red was offered regular at 62c, and 65c bid for St. L.; No. 3 red regular at 64c, 62c bid this side; No. 2 winter wheat offered at 59½c bid for St. L. & F. To. 2 hard winter offered regular at 58¼c, bid 57¼c. For No. 2 spring, 58c bid regular.

No. 2 red could have been sold at 66c after call, No. 2 hard sold at 58c.

Samples—Prime to choice sold at 60c, sacks returned, and 68@68¾c on track.

Grease butter, 2@2½c.

The speculative market was just as dull, but this forenoon was characterized by a strength that was not really observable yesterday. Receipts were again disappointing, though the total at Western markets of 569,000 bu was larger than a year ago and half the arrivals at St. Louis stopped here, where heretofore most the receipts have gone through to the seaboard. Exports were well maintained, though cables were still quiet and another decline of ¼d reported by Liverpool.

The market was rather easy late in the day, when wheat was at its weakest.

SPOT GRADES—Offerings small on the call, but demand light. A speculative buyer bid 24¾c (yesterday's call price) for regular No. 2, and a car in F. sold to local dealers at 24¾c. No. 2 white offered in F. at 25c, and 24¾c bid for regular.

After call a car No 2 sold in F at 25c and No 2 white at 24¾c.

OATS.

Receipts at Western markets, 282,000 bu, against 197,000 one year ago; shipments, 216,000 bu. Futures were rather stronger, but as dull as ever.

Spot Grades—Dull and, unchanged. Only offer to sell on call was No. 2 at 19½c. Bids were 19½c for No. 2, U. and T.; 16½c for No. 3 regular, and 16¾c for T.; 15½c for No. 4 regular, 15½c for U.; 15c for No. 3 white regular, 15½c for T.

RYE.

None offered. On call 53c bid for No 2 regular and 54c for E side, and 54½ bid for No 2 regular.

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Received, 1,010 tons; shipped, 428 tons. The general situation was unchanged, with continued good inquiry for the better grades of timothy, as well as a fair demand for timothy of all descriptions. Shippers still in the market and purchasing right freely. The receipts of prairie were considerably larger, which has had a somewhat depressing effect on this hay. Clover, when choice, is in demand, and ready sale. Straw steady, with a better inquiry and not much for sale.

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DEERSKINS, ETC.—Deerskins steady at 20c per lb for selected; unselected half price; antelope, 12@25c; goatskins, 10@25c less.

SHREPSKINS—Quiet. Green salted, long-wooled, 40@50c each; dry, 25@40c; smaller sizes and lambs, 25@40c; shearlings, green, 10@20c; dry, 5@15c.

FEATHERS—Geese firm; prime white, ltrs, small sacks, 44c; large sacks, 42c; gray and quilly, 30c; old white, 31@33c; X, 27@29c; XX, 16@18c; XXX, 12@14c; XXXX, 10@c; tare, 33@10 per cent. Chickens—Dry picked, 24c. Duck—Dry, 20c; white, 22c. Turkey—Tail, prime, 15c; wing, 8c; wing and tail mixed, 9c; wing, tail and pointers, 5c; solitions, 2½c.

TALLOW—Weak. Prime, in oil barrels, 4c per lb, average stock less, according to quality; No 2 and stock in irregular pkgs, 3½c; cake, 4¼c.

GREASE—Brown, 2½c; yellow, 3¼c; white, 3½c.

BEESWAX—Prime stock, 28¼c per lb.

ROOTS — Ginseng, $2.60@2.70 per lb; seneca, 18@22c; lady slipper, 4c; golden seal, 16@17c; snake, 17@19c—white worth less; blue flag, 4c; pink, 14c; May apple, 1½@2c; ametlea, 8c; wahoo, bark, 4c; blood, 1¼@2½c; golden thread, 7c; bark of root, 8c; wahoo, bark of tree, 4c; bitter butterfly, 3c; twin leaf, 3c; pleurisy root, 3½c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Vermont, 12@12½c per lb; Canada, 15@16c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Quotable at 80c@$1 per gal—off-stock 1 less.

SACKS—Burlaps—48-in or 7-lb, per 1,000, $62.50; 46-in or 6-lb, $61; 44-in or 5-lb, $50.50; 58-in or 4-lb, $50; 40-in 3½, $43.50; 34-in, $35; 30-in, $30; 24-in, $49; 50-in, $47.50; 48-in-or 2¾-lb, $46; 46-in or 2½-lb, $44.50; 42-in, $42; 40-in or 2-lb, $40.50. Cotton—seamless—11@11½c. Flour sacks—25-lb, $27.50; 49-lb, $41@42; 100-lb, $63.50; export, 140-lb, 10c. Cotton—6@7c.

COOPERAGE—Flour, bbls., round hoop, 29c; flat hoop, 25c; half bbls., 29c; meal bbls., 24c; produce bbls., 22@24c; lard kegs, 10@c; half trs., 60c; pork bbls., 75c; half bbls., 50c.

OILS—Linseed, oil, raw, 38c per gallon; boiled, 40c. Castor oil, best, 90c per lb; No. 2, 87½—in small quantities ½@1c more. Cottonseed oil, summer yellow, 32c; white, 33c; winter yellow, 30c; white, 40c.

SALT—Domestic, 75@90c per bbl. East Side, 80@85c this side.

COTTON.

LOCAL MARKET—Steady. Sales, 200 bales. Quotations: Ordinary, 7 8-16c; good ordinary, 7 9-16c; low middling, 7 15-16c; middling, 8 3-16c; good middling, 8 7-16c; middling fair, 8 15-16c; tinges ½c and stains ¼c below white.

ST. LOUIS WAREHOUSE STATEMENT.

Net receipts to-day	918	1,584
Net receipts since Sept. 1	72,714	92,667
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	328,458	517,767
Net shipments to-day	450	687
Net shipments since Sept. 1	20,271	52,035
Gross shipments to-day	1,450	5,535
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	274,415	488,810
Stock on hand	39,992	58,533

LIVERPOOL—Business good; prices easier. Uplands, 15,000; Orleans, 15,000. Futures closed steady; Dec. and Jan., 4 30-64d; Jan. and Feb., 4 28-64d; Feb. and March, 4 29-64d; March and April, 4 29-64d; April and May, 4 30-64d; May and June, 4 31-64d; June and July, 4 31-64d; July and Aug., 4 32-64d.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Advices from Liverpool rather better than had been expected, as that market does not fully respond to our decline of yesterday. Futures are ½ to 2 points below last night's closing, with the tone of the market steady. The most encouraging feature is the active demand for spot cotton, sales to-day being 15,000 bales. The spinners continue to purchase actual cotton as liberally as at present no material decline in prices is likely.

NEW YORK—Spot quiet; middling, 8½c. Futures closed steadys; sales 118,800 bales.

Reported by Gaylord, Blessing & Co.

	Closing Wednesday.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing Thur'y.
December	8.20	8.26	8.09	8.26
January	8.22	8.28	8.08	8.28
February	8.27	8.34	8.13	8.34
March	8.32	8.39	8.17	8.39
April	8.37	8.44	8.20	8.44
May	8.42	8.48	8.25	8.48
June	8.45	8.52	8.30	8.52
July	8.46	8.53	8.30	8.53
August	8.47	8.54	8.32	8.54

COFFEE.

Reported by Hanley & Kinsella Coffee and Spice Company.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.

	First Call.	Second Call.	Third Call
December	13.60b		
January	13.60b		
February	13.45b	13.50	
March	13.40b		
April	13.60b		
May	13.55		

Mail pouch coffee at 21.35c.

RIO—No. 7 coffee exchange standard 13 mill, 950; stock, 106,000; receipts, 6,000; clearances, United States, 9,000; Europe, all; stock, 223,000; market quiet.

SANTOS—Receipts, 14,000; stock, 394,000; market quiet; good average Santos, 14 mil, 700.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wheat opened where it closed last night, 61¾c and declined to 61¼c. Cables were easier from Liverpool. Comels were higher. Northwestern receipts not so large, 301 cars, against 1,070 last week and 562 last year; the Price Current is nonconmittal. The flour output is almost double last year's, 410,000 bbls, at Minneapolis, Duluth and Milwaukee, against 233,000 last year. Local receipts are moderate, 174 cars, against an estimate of 180. The crowd imagines that Linn is a seller on a small way. It is taken for granted he has gone around from the bull to the bear side. The very small stocks of corn and oats are attracting some attention and creating a slight steadiness of the December and January deliveries. The stock of contract corn is 385,000 and of contract oats 428,000 bu. The corn market was steady, at about last night's prices—Dec., 25¾c; May, 28¾c. Receipts this morning are better, 420 cars. The out-inspection is small, 72 cars. The Price Current says corn is not pressingly offered.

Later wheat went up to 61¾c on a San Francisco message to Walker, which reads: "Three cargoes Australian, one for Cape, taken yesterday and this morning. McNear's agent returned from Australia last evening. Says Australian crop very short, and will iwant large quantity of California wheat."

Hog products slow but a fraction better. May pork sold at $8.70@8.75, lard at $5.42½@5.45; ribs at $4.42½@4.45.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Close: Wheat—Dec., 57¼c bid; January, 57½c; May, 61c bid. Corn—Dec., 25¾@25¾c asked; Jan., 25¾c asked; May, 28¾c asked. Oats—Dec., 17½c bid; May, 19¾c asked. Pork—Dec., $7.70; Jan., $8.87½; May, $8.75. Lard—Dec., $5.07½; Jan., $5.22½ asked; May, $5.45 bid. Ribs—Dec., $4.22½; Jan., $4.22½ asked; May, $4.45 bid.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Cash—Close: Wheat, 57¼c; corn, 25¾@25¾c; oats, 17¼c; pork, $7.75; lard, $5.07½; ribs, $4.22½.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 12.—Corn active; steady; new No. 2, 26c; new No. 3, 25¾c. Oats quiet. No. 2 white, 18½@18¾c; No. 3 white, 17½@17¼c. Rye dull; nominal. Whisky Market steady; finished goods on the basis of $1.22 for highwines. Receipts—Corn, 105,800 bu; oats, 22,350 bu; rye, 1,200 bu; whisky, 75; wheat, 4,800 bu. Shipments—Corn, 36,200 bu; oats, 23,150 bu; rye, none; whisky, 606; wheat, 4,200 bu.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Butter firm; creameries 17@20c; dairies, 12@21c. Eggs firm, 13½@21c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Poultry firm; turkeys 7@9½c; chickens 5½@7½c; ducks 10@11c.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—Wheat listless; No. 2 hard, 57½@58½c; No. 2 red, 68c; No. 2 spring, 57@58c. No. 2 mixed, 22½@23c; No. 2 white, 25½c. Oats rather slow, slightly lower; No. 2 mixed, 17c; No. 2 white, 18@18½c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Hogs—Receipts, 2,007 packages; strong; Western creamery 16@22½c; Elgin, 27c. Cheese—Receipts, 5,104 packages; dull; large, 7¼@10c; small, 7¾@10½c; part skims, 3½@6c; full skims, 2@3c. Eggs—Receipts, 4,464 packages; steady; State and Pennsylvania, 24@25c; Western, 21@24c; Southern, 21@22c. Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm. Coffee quiet and steady.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—Wheat—Spot quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red winter 5s 1½d; No. 2 red spring stocks exhausted; No. 1 hard Manitoba 5s 3d; No. 1 California 5s 4½d. Futures opened quiet, with near and distant points ¼d lower; closed quiet, with near positions ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; Dec. 5s 2¾d; Jan. 5s 3¼d; Feb. 5s 4¼d; March 5s 4¾d; April 5s 5d May 5s 5¼d. Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed 3s 5½d. Futures opened easy at unchanged prices; closed quiet, with near position unchanged to ½d lower, and distant positions unchanged from yesterday's closing quotations; business heaviest on April positions; Dec. 3s 3¾d; Jan. 3s 2½d; Feb. 3s 2d; March 3s 2¼d April 3s 2¼d; May 3s 2¾d. Flour firm; demand moderate; St. Louis fancy winter 7s 3d.

LIVE STOCK.

National Stock Yards.

SALES.

CATTLE—Receipts, 3,152. Market steady and active.

No.	Description.	Average.	Price.
6	Cows	966	$2.25
3	Cows	83	2.65
3	Steers	823	2.40
5	Oxen	988	2.25
2	Heifers	875	1.50
1	Bull	1040	2.00
1	Heifer	710	2.95
1	Heifer	920	2.95
1	Cow	755	1.35
1	Heifer	900	2.60
4	Cows	910	2.20
2	Bulls	1440	2.40
5	Calves	135	3.75
2	Calves	112	5.75
1	Calf	70	5.12½
5	Steers	662	2.35
3	Steers	870	2.90
3	Stockers	816	1.75
1	Cow	770	2.50
6	Cows	656	2.35
1	Bull	1070	2.00
1	Bull	1660	2.00
2	Cows	315	2.40
1	Cow	840	2.25
5	Cows	1015	2.40
11	Cows	448	2.25
8	Stockers	760	1.90
1	Cow	820	2.15
1	Bull	1470	2.00
1	Cow	750	1.75
1	Bull	1250	2.25
29	Steers	1112	2.95
15	Steers	1015	2.90
17	Steers	840	2.15

Texas. Market strong and steady. Receipts, 101 cars.

No.	Description.	Average.	Price.
210	steers	913	$2 50
24	steers	1,002	2 50
236	steers	882	2 70
221	steers	970	2 90
70	steers	983	2 60
2	stags	980	2 10
25	steers	927	2 70
22	steers	713	2 25
18	oxen	1,301	2 75
4	bulls	1,142	2 25
18	steers	1,071	2 85

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000. Market steady and strong.

No.	Description.	Average.	Price.
22	native mixed	78	$2 25
1	buck	100	1 50
319	culls	66	1 60
9	native mixed	128	3 00
3	lambs	90	2 50
1	buck	110	2 00
71	native mixed	96	2 80
2	bucks	100	2 00
44	native mixed	92	2 80
1	buck	100	2 00
24	native mixed	126	2 75
7	lambs	64	4 25
1	cull	90	1 50
2	buck	120	2 60
22	lambs	72	3 50
29	lambs	71	4 50
28	natives	103	3 50
6	culls	83	1 75

HOGS—Receipts, 5,423. Market steady and 5c higher.

SALES.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
24	264	$3 45	99	199	$3 30
71	300	3 37½	75	224	3 40
84	307	3 37½	74	235	3 40
39	197	3 40	73	228	3 40
67	242	3 40	41	197	3 43
70	227	3 40	41	231	3 30
75	257	3 40	37	240	3 35
70	260	3 37½	41	240	3 35
63	250	3 40	42	255	3 45
75	231	3 40	41	267	3 45
78	243	3 40	41	257	3 40
62	242	3 40	41	115	3 40
63	253	3 40	80	206	3 40
80	193	3 37½	2	385	3 00
76	175	3 40	67	307	3 35
20	257	3 40	75	215	3 40
68	277	3 40	50	342	3 43
60	200	3 37½	62	250	3 40
20	193	3 40	29	169	3 40
20	200	3 35			

HORSES AND MULES.

Receipts 129. Market rather quiet. Local trade mostly.

Live Stock by Telegraph.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Hogs—Receipts to-day, 28,000; official yesterday, 40,000; shipments, 4,883. Left over, 9,000. Market fairly active and 5c higher than yesterday. Light hogs, $3.30@3.40; mixed packers, $3.35@3.50; heavy shipping grades, $3.30@3.52½; rough hogs, $3.30@3.35. Cattle—Receipts, 1,200; best grades, firm; others weak; beeves, $2.90@4.75; cows and heifers, $1.50@3.00; Texas, $2.50@3.35; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.50; Christmas cattle, $4.80@5.25. Sheep—Receipts, 13,000; market steady.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts 3,800; shipments, 3,200; market steady; Texas steers, $2.75@3.40; Texas cows, $2.00@2.45; best steers, $3.00@4.35; native cows, $1.25@3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.00@3.50; bulls, $2.10@3.00. Hogs—Receipts, 12,300; shipments, 400; market strong, 5c higher; bulk of sales, $3.30@3.40; heavies, $3.00@3.42½; packers, $3.30@3.42½; mixed, $3.22½@3.40; lights, $3.15@3.35; Yorkers, $3.30@3.35; pigs, $3.75@3.85. Sheep—Receipts 2,100; shipments, 1,700; muttons, $3.00@4.10; lambs, $2.00@5.00.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,300. Market slow, lower; most everything unsold. Native beef steers $3@4.50; Westerns $2.75@3.75; Texans $2.25@3.40; cows and heifers $2.40@3.25; canners, $1.35@2.40; stockers and feeders $2.60@3.40; calves $2.50@5; bulls, stags, etc., $1.75@3.00. Hogs—Receipts 6,200. Market shade higher; active; all sold. Heavy $3.30@3.35; mixed $3.25@3.30; light $3.20@3.25½; pigs $3@3.20; bulk of sales $3.30@3.32½. Sheep—Receipts 300. Market steady. Natives $2.25@3.25; Westerns $2@3; common and stock sheep $1.75@2.75; lambs $3@4.25.

MONEY.

EXCHANGE—Quoted by A. G. Edwards & Son, New York—75c discount bid.
Chicago—50c discount bid.
Cincinnati—40c discount bid.
Louisville—40c discount bid.
New Orleans—Par bid.
Discount rates at St. Louis Banks steady at 5 to 8 per cent on call and time loans.
Bank clearings to-day were $4,692,068; balances, $501,788.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Money on call nominally 2@2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange dull and weaker, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.85¼@4.85⅝ for demand and $4.87½@4.87⅝ for 60 days. Posted rates $4.86 and $4.89@4.89½. Commercial bills $4.84¾. Silver certificates 66@66½; no sales. Bar silver 65¾. Mexican dollars 52¾.

Government bonds steady; new fours 121; do coupon, 123¼; fives, reg., 115; do coupon, 115; fours, reg., 111; do coupon, 112¾; twos, reg., 97; Pacific sixes of '96, 99.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Closing: Consols for money 104 15-16; do account 105⅛.

St. Louis Stocks and Bonds.

Sales Thursday were 200 Suburban at $33 and 15 at $33.25.

STOCKS.	Bid.	Asked.
Brewery bonds	$ 96 50	$ 96 75
Edison Illuminating bonds	75 50	.....
Merchants' Bridge Co.	.....	104 50
Suburban Railway stocks	33 25	33 75
Lindell Railway stocks	139 00	141 00
National Bank of Republic	.....	78 50
Continental National Bank	116 50	.....
Merchants'-Laclede Nat'l Bank	.....	118 00
Exposition stock	8 00	8 50
St. Louis United Elevator stock	16 25	17 50
Small Homes	100¼	.....
American Brake	59 50	.....
Mechanics' Bank	.....	225 00
Fourth and Arsenal	.....	20 00
Chicago Equipment	2 40	2 85

New York Stocks.

Corrected daily by Whitaker & Hodgman, bond and stock brokers, 300 North Third street.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 12.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Tobacco, com.	71¾	71¾	70¾	71
American Tobacco, pfd.	99	.....	.....	99
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BECAUSE HE WAS A MAN.

Leach's Enemies Could Not Have Him Indicted as a Common Scold.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Councilman James Leach of Park Ridge, N. J., who is waging war against the liquor dealers, is laughing over the latest discomfiture of his enemies. On Tuesday, he says, his political enemies went to Hackensack to have him indicted as a common scold; but they failed in their attempt because he was not a woman. The primitive law in New Jersey applies only to women. Leach, who is a stationer in this city, had posters put up all over Park Ridge a short time ago containing the names of citizens, including several church members, who were alleged to be in favor of issuing licenses.

TOUGH SUITS FOR GOOD BOYS. We have them for sale at $3.50. All-wool Knee Pant Suits, which we know to be great value at the price. We ask for them $3.50.

Don't spend your cash in any other store before you have seen these $3.50 suits. MILLS & AVERILL, Broadway and Pine.

Good Shepherd Dedication.

The Sisters of the Good Shepherd announce the formal opening of their new institution at Gravois and Bamberger avenues on Sunday afternoon. The blessing of the house will take place at 2 o'clock, followed by an address. Archbishop Kain will give benediction at 3 o'clock. The house will be open to inspection to invited guests from 10 o'clock.

F. H. Ingalls Is Ready. See Page 6.

Ruth.

She stood breast-high amid the corn,
Clasp'd by the golden light of morn,
Like the sweetheart of the sun,
Who many a glowing kiss had won.

On her cheek an Autumn flush
Deeply ripen'd;—such a blush
In the midst of brown was born
Like red poppies grown with corn.

Round her eyes her tresses fell,
Which were blackest none could tell,
But long lashes veil'd a light
That had else been all too bright.

And her hat, with shady brim,
Made her tressy forehead dim;
Thus she stood amid the stooks,
Praising God with sweetest looks.

Surely, I said, heav'n did not mean,
Where I reap thou should'st but glean,
Lay thy sheaf adown and come,
Share my harvest and my home.

THOMAS HOOD.

Love and Time.

From Black and White.

Sweetheart, the year is waning fast
The rose has fallen; Autumn's ore
Tinsels the woodland, and the mast
Drops from the beech's ripened store.

Upon the wind—a pageantry
Of glimmering elves—the red leaves pass
And jewels flash where apples lie
Among the velvet orchard grass.

Earth, like a tired child, would rest,
Yet hesitates to put aside
Her sweet apparel and divest
Herself of all her Summer pride.

And still, for you and me, displays
A beauty even fairer grown
Than when down April's flowering ways,
Love came in triumph to his throne.

Bloom follows bud; the stately fruits
The plenitude of Autumn crown,
So, true affection's attributes
By Time's severance are perfect shown.

NEWS OF THE CONVENTION.

The Best Telegraph Facilities in the World Will Be Provided.

Thomas Booth returned from Washington this morning, where he served as a member of the committee that secured the Republican National Convention for St. Louis next summer. He declined to say anything for publication owing to restrictions placed upon the members of the committee. The other members will be home Saturday morning.

When the convention meets, June 16 next, the very best telegraph facilities ever furnished for a gathering will have been provided. Both the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies will run their wires into the convention hall direct, and the Associated and United Press and correspondents representing every newspaper of any importance in the country will wire the news everywhere.

As yet no definite orders have been received by Supt. Baker of the Western Union, from the New York office, but he says the facilities will be the best that can possibly be provided. Until the committee of the Business Men's League having the convention in charge decides upon the arrangement of the hall for the accommodation of the delegates no definite plans can be made by the telegraph companies.

Cables will be run from the Western Union and Postal offices to the Exposition Building and each company will have a large force of operators, clerks and messengers on duty during each session.

The holding of the convention here will give to St. Louis a permanent improvement in the telegraph service between this city and New York and Chicago. Three or four new copper circuits will be strung by the Western Union between here and Chicago and two or three from here to New York. The Postal will also put up some new copper circuits.

R. H. Bohle, manager of the Western Union office, said: "It is a little early to make our plans yet, but the service will surpass anything ever attempted. We will have probably sixty wires in the building and every arrangement will be made for quick service. We will follow the plan in vogue at the last convention that met here, with many improvements."

"At the last convention we had the best service I ever saw. We ran our cables right into the convention hall, and built a commodious office on the basement floor directly under the speakers' stand. A force of forty or more of the very best telegraphers in the world were stationed there, and as fast as the telegrams poured in they were rushed out over the wires to their destination. There was not a moment's delay during the whole proceedings. The press was never better taken care of, the Associated Press was given unlimited facilities for the distribution of news and private and business messages were received and delivered without a hitch.

"There was not the slightest confusion. The operators were in a room on the floor below the convention hall, away from the noise and excitement, where they could attend strictly to business. We had several instruments in the hall from which bulletins were sent as fast as a vote was taken or something of importance occurred.

"The arrangement was as near perfect as it would be possible to get it. In the convention hall we had a receiving table alongside of the platform, where clerks saw that the copy was properly filed, and placed it in boxes and dropped it through a slide to the distributing table in the office below. There other clerks handed it out to the operators and it was sent out to every section of the country without delay. A large force of messenger boys scoured the hall for copy and brought it to the receiving desk, and the press stand was so handy that copy was in the operators' hands in half a minute after it left the reporters."

St. Louisans in New York.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Not satisfied with their victory in Washington Tuesday, quite a number of St. Louis citizens arrived here last night just to show New Yorkers what they are made of, and to wake up the Gothamites who so unsuccessfully tried to bring the Republican convention of '96 to the Empire City.

Among the visitors were Mayor Walbridge, Chairman C. H. Sampson, ex-Congressman Nathan Frank, Samuel M. Kennard, president of the Business Men's League; C. I. Filley, F. P. Brownell, ex-Congressman Wm. Warner, Maj. C. C. Rainwater, Frank Gaiennie, Wm. Boyd, Chas. Fisch, H. C. Townsend, W. H. Thompson, president of the Bank of Commerce; Samuel Thompson, Jos. Hayes and A. Handlin.

When seen by a reporter, ex-Congressman Frank said:

"Of course you New Yorkers will say that you did not want the convention, but we know you did, and you could not get it. You sent on a fine lot of representatives, but the Chicago gang was too tough for them. Now, here is the whole thing in a nutshell. St. Louis stepped in with its accustomed dignity and earnestness, and the result was that we carried off the plum."

EAST ST. LOUIS NEWS.

A match game of cocked hat was played on Muentefering's alley Wednesday evening between Messrs. Traub and Bergmeyer of Broadway and Messrs. Muentefering and Kolp of Missouri avenue for the championship of the city. The Broadway team won two out of three games. Mr. Evans of the Obert brewery acted as coacher for the Broadway team.

The business men's new social club has been christened the "Egyptian." The committee on site recommends the leasing of three elegant rooms and a hall in the Lovington Building on Broadway. The initiation fee for charter members has been fixed at $25 and monthly dues at $3. The club now has an enrollment of thirty of the most prominent men in the city.

The funeral of Mrs. Baudendistel occurs from the family residence on St. Clair avenue to St. Henry's cemetery to-morrow afternoon at 2 p. m.

The funeral of Henry Adler will occur under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. this afternoon to St. Peter's cemetery.

George E. Moseley, charged with embezzling $300 from the Bridge and Terminal Company in St. Louis, has furnished bond and been released. It is said the company will not prosecute and that the shortage will be made good by Moseley and his friends.

The K. of P. ball will be held at Lovington's Hall this evening and promises to be the event of the season. Prominent visitors are expected from neighboring towns.

Branch No. 49, Knights of Fr. Matthew, have elected the following officers: John Kickham, Chief Sir Knight; Martin Dougherty, Recording Secretary; M. Ronan, Financial Secretary; Chris Pidgeon, banker; Joseph H. Duffy, Sentinel.

Mr. Arthur Cockrell gave a dancing party last evening at his hobe, 440 North Eighth street.

The funeral of John Fritz occurs this afternoon at 2 p. m., under the auspices of the Knights of Honor, from the family residence, 115 "P" street, to SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery, St. Louis.

Clarence Morgan, an elevator boy at the McCasland Opera-house, fell through the shaft from the second story yesterday and fractured his right arm.

Mrs. Mary Bell, who claims to have been connected with the John Robinson Circus, was taken to the police station by Officer Bumgardner last evening, having shown signs of dementia. The woman claims to have walked here from New Orleans and is destitute.

John Smith called at the police station Thursday morning to inquire for his wife and four children. He says his family left a farm near Vinton, Mo., in a "prairie schooner," with St. Louis for their destination, six weeks ago. Smith came by wagon, but took a different route and says he has been unable to hear anything of the whereabouts of his family. The police will assist him in his search.

The case of Jed Horrigan against C. Clarke, a switchman, for a $28 board bill, was tried in the City Court Thursday.

According to a dispatch from Washington, D. C., Congressman Murphy of East St. Louis has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives appropriating $100,000 for the erection of a public building in this city. The citizens are very anxious to see Congressman Murphy successful in his endeavors, as a public building here would obviate the necessity of transferring mail to St. Louis for distribution, as is now done at considerable loss of time and useless expense.

The Committee on Claims of the City Council met last evening and reported favorably on all bills for salaries and claims against the city for the month of November. The Council meets to-morrow.

The Knights of the Maccabees will give a grand ball at Lovingston's Hall next Wednesday evening.

George R. Wallace and Mrs. Hannah Hewitt were married at the residence of the bride, 453 Collinsville avenue, by Rev. J. D. Gillham of the M. E. Church last evening and left on a bridal tour to Camden, O., immediately after the ceremony.

Hon. D. G. Williamson of Staunton, Ill., was the guest of Hon. Wm. A. Rodenberg Thursday.

Clover Leaf Trains

Have new reclining chair cars—seats free. Ticket office 505 Olive.

Want the Property Sold.

Frederick Boehm, Hubert Lesaar, and other heirs of Arnold F. Boehm have filed suit in the Circuit Court to have certain property at Ninth and Buchanan streets sold and the proceeds divided among them. Henry Boehm is made defendant. He is now confined in the Alexian Bros. Asylum Oskosh, Wis., where he has been for a number of years.

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The Respectful American Cabman.

The Argonaut tells of an incident that happened to a noted American singer in Boston. She was to sing at an evening concert and a carriage was to be sent for her. She was staying at the time with a friend who had a suite of rooms in a large apartment house, in which the tube system of communication with the outer world prevailed. It was past the time when the carriage should have appeared and the lady was growing a little nervous. She was sitting with her wraps on when the bell rang furiously. Hurrying to the tube herself the prima dona said:

"Well?"

The reply came in a voice heavily charged with irritation: "I'm a hackman," said the voice, "an' I was sent here to get some cussed lady an' I don't know what in time her last name is! I've rung every bell in this house! Are you her?"

McArthur's

Raking Friday Sale will be a Rattler for Grand Sweeping Bargains in all Departments that are Unrivalled.

A Splendid Fine Crash Toweling sold from 10c to 11c closed at only
1¾c per yard.

Thousands of Remnants Turkey Red Table Damasks sold at
¾c, 1c and 2c per piece.

Bleached and Cream All-Linen Table Damasks sold at
1c, 2c and 3c each piece.

A Grand Friday Bargain in Cambric Linings at
3c per yard.

White Flannel for Friday at
3½c per yard.

Table Oil Cloths for Friday at
10c per yard.

For Friday, Children's Mittens at
5c per pair, worth 10c.

Ladies' Saxony Wool Mittens at
10c per pair, worth 20c.

Ladies' Fascinators, for Friday sale
15c each, worth 25c and 35c.

Children's Hand-Crocheted Zephyr Sacques, soiled from show window, cut to
20c each, less than ½-price.

Splendid Friday Bargains in Ladies' Kid Gloves, 4 buttons and 7 hooks, Blacks and colors, at
49c per pair, worth $1.00 and $1.25.

For Friday, Ladies' Imported Hose, Full Regular Made Fast Black Boot Styles, with fancy tops; great variety styles at
10c per pair, worth 20c and 25c.

We bought out a stock of Fancy Linen Goods at 50c on the dollar, in scarfs, Squares, Splashers, Tidies, Matts, all sold at half the regular prices. Tidies and matts, at
2½c each.

For Friday Sale 100 dozen Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Vests, a splendid bargain,
12½c each.

Wide Double Fold Scotch Plaids at
5c per yard, worth 12½c.

For Friday Sale 100 dozen Ladies' Plain white Hemstitched Embroidered Handkerchiefs,
2½c each.

Japanese Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs,
5c each.

Our Sale of Holiday Goods Now On in Full Blast. Variety Superb. Prices Unequaled. Take a Look at Them.

For Friday Sale, Ladies' Knitted Skirts at
15c each, former price was 50c.

All Wool Fancy Skirt Patterns, full size, at
50c each, regular price 75c.

Ladies' Colored Wrappers, Indigo Blue and Cardinal, at
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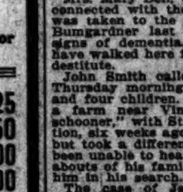

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Leather Imitation of Alligator	59c	ALLIGATOR, genuine, all sizes for men, all styles	$1.50
Chenille Embroidered Everetts or Opera	65c	MOROCCO, always brought at least $1.50	$1.00
Handmade Everetts or Opera, elegantly embroidered, only	$1.00	Men's Alligator Leather Slippers, marked down to	$1.00

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Men's, Women's and Children' Fine Footwear by the pair, bushel, barrel or ton, for about one-half the price charged elsewhere.

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DIPLOMA Alabama State Agr'l Society at Montgomery, 1888.

AWARD Chattahoochie Valley Expo., Columbus, Ga., 1888.

HIGHEST AWARDS St. Louis Agricultural and Mechanical Ass'n, 1889.

SIX HIGHEST AWARDS World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1893.

HIGHEST AWARDS Western Fair Association, London, Canada, 1893.

SIX GOLD MEDALS Midwinter Fair, San Francisco, Cal., 1894.

SILVER MEDAL Toronto Exposition, Toronto, Canada, 1895.

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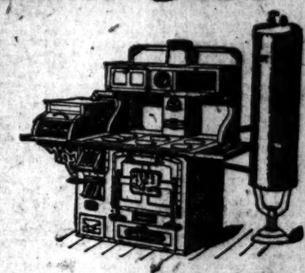

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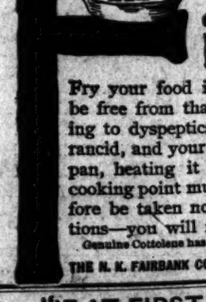

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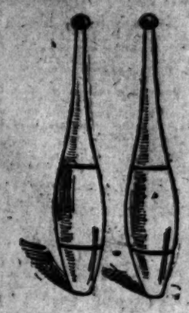

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LEGAL.

SHERIFF'S SALE—In partition—John Halloran, a minor, by Wm. C. Richardson, his curator, and Catharine Halloran, a minor, by her curator, Wm. C. Richardson, plaintiffs, vs. Mary C. Halloran, defendant. (Cause No. 690A.) October Term, 1895. In the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis.

By virtue and authority of an order of sale made and entered by said Circuit Court in the above entitled cause, dated the 7th day of November, 1895, I will, on

MONDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1895,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the east front door of the Court-house, in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, to-wit:

A lot of ground in city block No. 694, containing a front of twenty-three (23) feet on the east line of 18th street by a depth eastwardly of one hundred and twenty-seven feet six inches, more or less, to an alley fifteen feet wide, and known as the eastern part of lot No. 14 of block "N" of the subdivision in the partition case of Benoist Ewing et al., a plat of which subdivision is of record in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the City of St. Louis, in book 165, page 1.

But upon the following terms, to-wit: One-half cash, and the balance in one year after date of appraisal of sale, said deferred payment to be secured by deed of trust, with usual covenants, upon the property sold, and bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, or the purchaser thereof to be permitted to pay all cash therefor upon his electing so to do before the filing of any report of sale hereunder.

HENRY TROLL, Sheriff.

Nov. 21, 1895. 4917

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 9th, 1895.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the St. Louis Country Club, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before it, will be held at the Mercantile Club, southwest corner of Seventh and Locust streets, St. Louis, Mo., on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of December, 1895, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m.

R. C. STERLING, President.

OTTO I. MERSMAN, Secretary. 4961

STATE of Missouri, City of St. Louis, ss.—In the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, December term, 1895. Monday, December 9, 1895.—Lee V. Stephens, State Commissioner, vs. (2360 A.) Socials Building and Loan Association.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court from the returns of the Sheriff herein that personal service cannot be had upon the defendant within the time prescribed by statute, on motion of plaintiff, by attorney, it is ordered by the court that said defendant be notified that a civil action has been commenced against it, the object of which is to obtain an order of this court enjoining and restraining defendant and its officers from further conducting business and from collecting and receiving of any and all moneys or property due said association and from selling, transferring or in any way disposing of any of the property and assets of said association, and for the appointment of a receiver for said association to take immediate charge of its property, books, papers and effects and wind up its affairs, and said defendant is hereby notified to appear in this court and in room No. 2 thereof at 10 a. m. on

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then and there to answer to the petition aforesaid. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published for ten consecutive days in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, a newspaper published in the City of St. Louis.

A true copy from the record.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at office, in the City of St. Louis, this 9th day of December, Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-five.

(Seal) THOS. H. HODGERS,
4973 Clerk Circuit Court.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE—In the matter of the estate of Carl Frank, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all interested that letters of administration on the undersigned administrator bonds for three the sum of $25.00, to-wit: Five August Peters, $5.10; Mary Frank, $5.00; Carl Frank, $5.00; Carl Frank, $5.00; said distributees are hereby notified to claim said amounts forthwith. The intestate Carl Frank died on Nov. 29, 1895, in the City of St. Louis, Mo., and was a native of Bavaria. [illegible]

ESTATE of Hugh Rogers, Deceased.—Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Hugh Rogers, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City of St. Louis on the 10th day of December, 1895.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they will be forever barred.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1895.

HENRY F. LAUDENBERG,
4994 Administrator of Hugh Rogers, Deceased.

SHERIFF'S SALE—By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the City of St. Louis, Missouri, to the December term, 1895, of said court, and to me directed, wherein Fruin-Bambrick Construction Company, a corporation, is plaintiff, and St. Louis Stone Mason's Quarry and Building Association, a corporation, is plaintiff, and Charles G. Bokwer is defendant, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate, situated in the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, and charged with the lien of a special tax bill, on which this action is founded, and described in said execution as follows, to-wit: Lot 44, in block 1216 of said city, said ground having an aggregate front of 25 feet by a depth of 125 feet, and bounded on the north by Allen avenue; and I will, on

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between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the east front door of the Courthouse, in the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, the above described property to satisfy said execution and costs.

HENRY TROLL,
Sheriff, City of St. Louis, Mo.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 25, 1895. 4843

IN Matter of the Assignment of Schlesinger & Bondurant Lumber Co.—Notice is hereby given that I, Henry C. Tittmann, assignee of Schlesinger & Bondurant Lumber Co., has filed and exhibited in the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, a statement of the accounts of his trust to the December term of said court, together with proper vouchers, and that said accounts will be allowed by said court in room No. 5 on Wednesday, the 18th day of December, 1895, unless good cause to the contrary be shown.

THOS. H. HODGERS,
Clerk Circuit Court, City of St. Louis.